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THREE DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE.

Arrival of the America at Halifax.

THE FINANCIAL CRISIS.

FURTHER SUSPENSIONS IN GREAT BRITAIN.

Probability of Another Advance in the Bank's Rate of Discount.

SECOND FAILURE TO LAUNCH THE LEVIATHAN

Cotton Steady—Cotton, Breadstuffs and Provisions Dull.

HALIFAX, Wednesday, Dec. 1.

The [illegible] arrived at America, from Liverpool [illegible]

[illegible] from New-York, [illegible]

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market was to-day calmer and more satisfactory. The negotiations for affording assistance to a great and wealthy American house, with liabilities estimated at more than two millions, were to-day satisfactorily concluded. The temporary embarrassments of the firm in question were solely occasioned by the impossibility of procuring remittances from some of the first houses in America. Provided that no fresh important cases of embarrassment occur, there is a disposition to hope that affairs will become more cheerful.

LAST NIGHT'S BANK RETURNS.

The Times City article, referring to these note, points out that while we have been exporting far more than we have imported, the stock of gold on which these notes are based has been steadily diminishing. It will see that this inverse ground must have certain limits, and that if these limits were reached, national suspension would be the result, happily prevented by the partial tendency to the revival of confidence.

The *Daily News* City article describes the returns as the most remarkable ever published. The Banks have infringed the act by the extent of two millions, but to a considerable extent this infringement is more seeming than real. Of the two millions of new notes created against Government securities deposited in the Issue department, £1,143,165 in notes, and £494,501 in coin, making a total reserve of £1,552,666 remaining in the Bank still; consequently, the extent to which the public have actually trenched upon the new fund of two millions, so far as placed at their disposal, is really less than half a million. The £696,415 of coin withdrawn remains in the country, being held in Scotland and Ireland. The Bank appears to have sold a million of Government securities in the market.

NOTTINGHAM, Friday—P. M.

The town remains perfectly tranquil. The Mayor and magistrates had succeeded in preventing a meeting of the operatives. Many came in from the country districts, but quietly dispersed. It was generally believed that upon the meeting being prevented in the market-place the men would assemble in Nottingham Forest, and every precautionary measure was taken to disperse any crowd that might come together. In the country districts the police were prepared to act at a moment's notice. Temporary relief has been afforded to a great many families. The able-bodied are not compelled to go into the workhouse, and they are employed in constructing a new road. One of the rioters of Tuesday night has been sentenced to six months' imprisonment.

GREAT BRITAIN.

A second attempt has been made to launch the leviathan steamer *Great Eastern*, on the 19th instant, but it proved a failure, it being found impossible to move her. The four hydraulic presses were brought to bear on the ship with full force, which failing to start her, all hands were set to work on the capstans and land purchases to heave her off by chains, on one of the chains gave way, which put an end to the operations. The effort was not to regularly launch her, but to move the vessel some forty feet lower down. Another attempt will be made in a few days with a further improvement in appliances. The public are now kept in ignorance as to the movements of those having the superintendence of launching her.

The Siamese Ambassador has been formally received by Queen Victoria, at Windsor Castle.

[illegible] proceedings have taken place among the unemployed operatives at Nottingham. They held a public meeting, and the windows of some of the provision-shops were afterwards broken. Any further meetings had been interdicted, and special constables paralled to preserve the peace.

There was a meeting of the bondholders of the Erie Railroad on the 18th inst.

A resolution was adopted, expressing confidence in the intrinsic value of the line, and for the appointment of a Committee to raise subscriptions of further capital, to prevent the foreclosure of the property.

A submarine telegraph cable had been laid between Cagliari and Malta, a distance of about 200 miles, with perfect success. This line will accelerate the receipt of the Indian news by a day or two.

FRANCE.

A prosecution, commenced against certain money changers, had considerably checked the demand for gold at the Bank of France.

A dispatch from Marseilles says: "Since the publication of the decree authorizing the exportation of grain, the improvement in the aspect of affairs has been maintained. There has been a rise of three francs for the best qualities. Other goods are beginning to rally."

The *Pays* explains the difference that had occurred at Shanghae between the Consuls of France and the United States, and that the affair was of trivial importance, and did not result in any interruption of the friendly relations between the two Consuls.

PARIS, Friday evening.—The funds are rather lower. The Three Per Cents. closed at 66f. 95c.

SPAIN.

At Madrid it was not considered likely that the financial crisis would affect Spain. The situation of the Bank continued highly satisfactory.

The price of Wheat continued to give way.

The Madrid journals give some detail's of a new Carlo-Republican conspiracy, discovered at Barcelona. They say that the members of the former party residing in France were concerned in it; and add that a notorious Carlist, NARO MONTESERRAT, who was at the head of affairs, had been arrested and condemned to death: but the execution was postponed in consequence of his having offered to make disclosures.

ITALY.

Dispatches from Turin announce that of sixty-five definitive election returns in Piedmont, forty-two are in favor of the Ministry, three doubtful, and twenty Clerical.

The following is the latest dispatch received:

PIEDMONT, Wednesday, Nov. 18.—Elections were known to the number of 154, of which 48 belong to the Clerical Party and extreme right, and the remainder to the different shades of the Liberal Party.

GERMANY.

The Powder Mills at Mayence, on the Rhine, had exploded, destroying a portion of the upper part of the city. Thirty persons were killed, and nearly 500 wounded. The damage is estimated at 263,000.

The advices from Bohemia are deplorable. Exchange was in favor of gold against Bank notes, although secured by the State, at the rate of 11 to 12 per cent., and in favor of silver at the rate of 8 to 9 per cent.

AUSTRIA.

A Vienna letter of the 14th says the financial accounts from the manufacturing districts were exceedingly afflicting. The number of failures was enormous. No greater panic was ever known at Vienna.

RUSSIA.

A great fire happened at St. Petersburg on the 5th ult. Many lives were lost. No particulars are given.

The French journal, *Moniteur of the Fleet*, says the Russian Plenipotentiary announced, at Shanghae, that he came to act in concert with the British and French Ambassadors, and that he entertained no doubt of their being received at Pekin.

PRUSSIA.

A dispatch from Berlin, dated the 18th ult., says: "It is asserted that Government will propose no new law of importance during the coming session of the Chambers. The ordinary budget, however, will contain a proposal for increasing the stipend of all public functionaries.

TURKEY.

The *Times* Paris correspondent writes that a difference is said to have arisen between England and Turkey on one hand and Russia on the other, respecting the trade and navigation of the Black Sea. This difference [illegible] but the French and Russian Governments [illegible] and suggested that a solution should be left to the Congress of Paris.

The difference between the French Ambassador at Constantinople and RESCHID PACHA it was understood had been reconciled.

It was rumored that the prospect of an understanding on the question of the Principalities was all but certain, and that RESCHID PACHA would offer no opposition to the plan of an Administrative union. In the meantime the Principalities are becoming more and more agitated, and fire radicals talked of establishing a Provisional Government.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

Liverpool Cotton Market.

The *Broker's Circular* reports the sales of the week at 68,000 bales, including 3,000 on speculation, and 4,000 for export. The advancing tendency of the early part of the week was lost on Thursday, and subsequently the market became heavy and nominally lower, closing very dull on Friday with a declining tendency in rates for quality and nominally ¼d.@¼d. lower than those of the previous week. The sales of Friday were 2,000 bales, including 500 for export. The following are the authorized quotations:

Fair Orleans, 7¼d.	Mid. Mobiles, 6¾d.
Middling do., 6¾d.	Fair Uplands, 6¾d.@7d.
Fair Mobiles, 6¾d.@7¼d.	Mid. do., 6¾d.

The stock in port was estimated at 228,000 bales, of which 156,000 were American.

Liverpool Breadstuffs Market.

BREADSTUFFS were all slightly lower. Messrs. RICHARDSON, SPENCE & Co. quote FLOUR very dull and declined 1s. since Tuesday. WHEAT dull and declined 2d.@3d., and in some cases 4d.@6d. CORN very dull and declined 1s. Western Canal FLOUR 34s.@36s. 6d.; Philadelphia and Baltimore, 35s.@36s.; Ohio, 37s.@38s.; Red WHEAT, 9s.@9s. 6d.; White, 8s. 6d.@9s. 6d.; Mixed and Yellow CORN, 34s. 6d.@35s.; White, 40s.

Liverpool Provision Market.

Messrs. BIGLAND, ASHTA & Co., RICHARDSON, SPENCE & Co., JAMES MCHENRY and others report BEEF heavy and slightly lower. PORK dull; no sales. BACON dull and rather easier. LARD heavy and nominal. TALLOW—Sales unimportant and quotations nominal.

Liverpool Produce Market.

(*From the Brokers' Circular.*)

ASHES dull; Pots, 32s. 6d.@33s.; Pearls, 37s.@38s. SUGAR opened at a slight advance, but closed quiet. COFFEE dull. RICE heavy. TEA opened buoyant, but closed with little inquiry and prices weak. RAISINS dull; Common, 4s.@4s. 3d.; Baltimore Bark, 4s. 6d.@5s.; Philadelphia, 5s. 9d. FISH OILS dull; Sperm freely offered at £75@£77; Linseed Oil dull. SPIRITS TURPENTINE dull at 34s. 6d.@36s.

Liverpool Freight Market.

FREIGHTS were very dull, but rates unchanged. In passengers there was scarcely anything doing.

State of Trade in Manchester.

The Manchester Market sympathized with Liverpool, and the sales of goods were unimportant. There was nothing doing in the manufacturing districts generally.

London Money Market.

Messrs. BARING BROTHERS quote Money unchanged in rate and still active. BAR SILVER, 5s. 1½d. Dollars, 4s. 11½d. The million in the Bank had decreased £697,000. CONSOLS for money closed on Friday at 89¾@90, and for the account 90¼.

London Markets.

(*Barings' Circular.*)

BREADSTUFFS very dull. WHEAT inactive; English was 2s.@4s. lower on the week. CORN was not quoted. Nothing doing in RYE at the close; the market opened at an advance of 1s.@2s., but it was all lost, and the market closed quiet. COFFEE dull. RICE heavy. FRESH OILS nominal. Sperm, £76; Linseed Oil slightly lower—sales at 36s. SPIRITS TURPENTINE slightly declined. TEA opened buoyant, but closed at a decline of 1d. SUGAR quiet; Pekoe, [illegible]@47s. 6d. SPIRITS TURPENTINE, 31s.@31s. 6d. The London Wool sales were rather less animated, but the previous reported advance was supported.

Havre Markets.

(*Week ending 16th ult.*)

COTTON quiet. Sales 3,500 bales; stock, 70,000 bales. New-Orleans *ree ordinaire* 100f. BREADSTUFFS buoyant and all qualities considerably advanced throughout FRANCE. ASHES quiet. COFFEE heavy. PROVISIONS tend downward. SUGAR heavy; yellow advanced considerably, but closed with quotations barely maintained. WHALEBONE nominal. OILS—Sales unimportant.

American Stocks.

BARINGS report the sales unimportant. BELL & Co. report the market quiet, and all kinds slightly advanced.

United States 6s of 1867-68	105	@—
United States Bonds of 1868	105	@—
Maryland 5s, Bonds	88	@90
Massachusetts 5s, Bonds	96	@96
Pennsylvania State 5s	71½	@72
Pennsylvania State 5s, Bonds, 1877	74	@76
Virginia 6s, 1866	75	@80
Virginia 5s, 1868	79	@81
Illinois Central Shares	13	@11 dis.
Illinois Central 7s of 1860 (Freeland)	73	@76
Michigan Central 8s, 1860	76	@80
Illinois Central Bonds, 1875	73	@—
Michigan Central Shares	45	@50
New-York Central Shares	72	@74
New-York Central 7s	88	@90
New-York Central 6s	76	@80
Erie Stock	10	@18
Erie 7s, Convertibles	35	@40
Erie 3d Mortgage Bonds	60	@65
Erie Sinking Fund	38	@40
Pennsylvania Central 6s, 1st Mortgage	80	@84

The London papers, of Friday, report the only business done on the day previous as in Illinois Central Shares at 12 ⅌ cent. discount.

Arrival Out of the Steamship Persia.

HALIFAX, Wednesday, Dec. 2—9 P. M.

We learn upon making special inquiry at the office of the R. M. Steamship Company, in this city, that the *America* in coming out of Liverpool passed the *Persia* (from New-York on the 11th ult.,) going in—an important fact which the purser of the *America* carefully withheld from the agent of the Associated Press this morning.

Departure of the Niagara.

BOSTON, Wednesday, Dec. 2.

The R. M. steamship *Niagara* sailed to-day at noon with forty passengers for Liverpool, and five for Halifax, and $711,500 in specie.

Sailing of the America for Boston.

HALIFAX, Wednesday, Dec. 2.

The *America* sailed for Boston at 9½ A. M. Weather cloudy and calm.

Fires.

GAS EXPLOSION AND NARROW ESCAPE.—About 1 o'clock, yesterday, the people in the vicinity of Odd-Fellows' Hall, corner of Grand and Centre streets, were startled by a terrific explosion. An alarm of fire was instantly given, and a number of Engine Companies and a large throng of citizens,—women and children, were speedily at the spot. It was at first reported that some powder had been stored underneath the building, and that it had exploded and two or three persons had been killed and several seriously injured. For a time intense excitement prevailed in the neighborhood. After a short time it was ascertained that there had been a gas explosion in the restaurant under the Hall, kept by PERRY MAYES, and no one injured. It appears that Mr. MAYES, perceiving the escape of gas in the saloon, took a lighted candle to find the place of leakage in the pipe. On opening a door leading to the area, which was covered and close, the gas ignited and exploded. The force of the explosion was such that the doors and windows of the place were shattered to atoms, and the greater part of the plastering torn from the ceiling. The windows in the tailor's store of Mr. GRASY, above the saloon, were also destroyed, and most of his fixtures thrown out of their places. Several heavy stone steps in front of the building were displaced. Considering the force of the explosion and the amount of damage done, the escape of Mr. MAYES from instant death is wonderful. As it was he escaped with very burnt hands. The extent of the damage is estimated at $300, which is covered by insurance in the People's Insurance Company.

FIRE IN SEVENTH-AVENUE.—Shortly after 3 o'clock yesterday morning, a fire broke out in the grocery store of FRANCIS OWENS, No. 379 Seventh-avenue. The fire originated among some empty boxes. Mr. Owen's loss amounts to about $200, which is covered by an insurance of $1,000, in the Ocean Insurance Co. The damage to the building was $30, and is insured. The fire is supposed to have been the work of an incendiary and will be investigated by the Fire Marshal.

U. S. SHIP SUPPLY.—List of officers of the U. S. ship *Supply*, sailed on the 29th and bound for Porto Praya and Rio de Janeiro:

Lieutenant Commanding—A. F. V. GRAY.

Lieutenants—J. K. Hughes, John Kell, Joseph D. Blake, James H. Gillis. *Passed Assistant Surgeon*—P. J. Howlett. *Captain's Clerk*—W. J. Bennett. *Purser's Clerk*—Thomas M. Brown.

☞ The American Institute intends holding an exhibition of fat cattle and poultry, Dec. 15, 16 and 17, at the Crystal Palace.

LATEST INTELLIGENCE

By Telegraph to the New-York Times.

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INTERESTING FROM WASHINGTON.

The Kansas Question—Governor Walker Sustained by Senator Douglas.

Preparations for the Meeting of Congress—Organization of the House, &c.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Nov. 2.

Senator DOUGLAS arrived tonight. He talks freely with reference to the Kansas question, sustaining Gov. WALKER boldly. Indeed, your Chicago letter, published on Tuesday, could not more exactly express the Administration, if written by himself. The impression gains ground that the President will avoid taking a position in the Message either for or against the action of the Convention.

My dispatch last night should have read, "Secretary BUCHANAN has indicated no intention to withdraw his resignation."

I understand there is considerable influence being exerted to induce the President to remove McKEON and BUCHANAN for their opposition to Mayor WOOD. The opinion is decidedly expressed that it is determined to confer upon the former the profitable honors of martyrdom. This is doubtful. Certainly so good a tactician as Mr. BUCHANAN cannot be anxious to follow the precedent set by GUTHRIE and PIERCE in their crusade against Collector BACON,—at any rate, not in the case of BUCHANAN, who was recommended by seven New-York Members of Congress for Collector—especially when the opinion of the latter, that WOOD is not fit to be trusted to handle bullion, has been indorsed by the people. The long conflict resulting from the attempt to crush out BENSON and his friends, is not apt to encourage Mr. BUCHANAN to follow PIERCE'S example—especially since he has already indorsed their rebellion against the "regular nominations" by appointing BONNEY and others of its leaders to the best offices in the State.

Governor WALKER, since he left the city for New-York, has been followed by a variety of rumors, and suppositious semi-official suggestions that he is likely to abandon his attitude of opposition to the action of the Kansas Convention in failing to submit the Constitution to a vote of the People of the Territory. He assured that these intimations simply constitute the "trembling for courage," in which those who deny the right of self-government to the people of Kansas are indulging. As I have heretofore stated to you, the Governor is earnest, decided and firm in the stand he has taken, and will not be driven or coaxed to abandon it. If there is ever any harmony of views between him and the President, it must be brought about by Mr. BUCHANAN yielding the position to which he already committed himself so deeply.

The Union and kindred journals are endeavoring to make it appear that there are no objections to the Kansas Constitution—no disputed issues involved in the question of its adoption, save that in relation to Slavery. Nothing could be more delusive. The Constitutional project contains many provisions upon which there always have been and always will be serious divisions of opinion among political economists. Some of these I referred to in my last. Another objection is one which to every Democratic partisan should be fatal. The instrument in dispute provides that no man shall be eligible to election as Governor until he has been twenty years a citizen of the United States. This section, however acceptable to our "Know-Nothing" friends, could hardly be expected to find sympathy among Democrats.

The grand sum of objection to the act of the Convention is its attempt to take from the people the right of self-government. While conceding the propriety of submitting to the people the question whether they shall hereafter import any more slaves into Kansas, the Convention absolutely deny them the right to decide any and every other question relative to their domestic institutions. Gov. WALKER says it is idle to tell them that, if they submit now, they may hereafter change and amend the Constitution. They know they have the right to say what sort of a Constitution they will have, and to refuse to have any, if they think best. It is the right of the people, even at this stage, to decline forming a State Government at all; to decide, if they choose, to remain in a Territorial condition; and the Governor considers that any effort to induce them to waive the right again—to accept the grievous wrong now, because they have the power to correct it by and by—would be as futile as whistling at the wind.

Another pretence of those who sustain the Convention is, that in providing a temporary Provisional Government in the person of General CALHOUN, that body only followed accepted precedents. This is not true. No applicable precedent can be shown. In those cited the Conventions conferred upon sheriffs and other officers *already elected by the people*, the power to pass upon election returns, &c., &c., while in the present case, General CALHOUN, who could scarcely be elected a constable in any precinct, is clothed with those important powers and duties. In the so-called precedents the *people* elected the officers,—but in the present case the Convention create the office, and fill it both, excluding the people from any participation in the affair, while their dearest and most important rights are placed entirely within his keeping.

Among the arrivals to-night are Hon. Messrs. CORNING and RUSSELL, of New-York, and General CUSHING.

The various candidates for Speaker, Clerk, &c., of the House of Representatives, are on the ground, busy as bees; and the army of lobby agents, like the camp followers of an army, are also on hand watching their opportunities for turning some pennies in the progress of the scramble.

ORR's chances for the Speakership do not improve. I hear that he will meet very decided opposition from the South, where his transparent schemings for place and power have disgusted many a more frank aspirant, who has preference for merit and its appreciation, rather than the small trickery of the political juggler. The committal of the New-York delegation to his interest has given him a considerable lift,—but may not prove sufficient to win.

Not a little surprise is expressed here that the New-Yorkers should have rushed so precipitately into the arms of South Carolina. Various reasons are assigned for the act,—the most probable of which is that the delegation unwittingly fell into the hands of the Philistines,—one or two individuals having woven a cunning web of influence about them, with a view of securing a handsome trade for themselves in the division of honors after the organization which shall have been effected. The details of the scheme will probably be apparent by the time the Committees are announced, if Mr. ORR is elected.

DARRAH, present doorkeeper, is really making fight for reelection, hoping to win by the united Republican and Know-Nothing vote. He will certainly fail. His course for two years past has made him a host of well-deserved enemies in the House to begin with. Few of his own party have any confidence in him; and even if it were possible that political expediency could bring about his reassignation with any hope of his election, he would be defeated, simply because there are some thirty Republicans from the northwest, who have an invitation to rule themselves at home, by voting for so well known a member of the Know-Nothing Order.

New-York will get the Doorkeeper if her delegation unite on any one acceptable candidate, otherwise she is certain to lose it.

The combinations for Printer are numerous and varied. My own impression is that WENTWORTH chances in the House are the best at present. In the Senate, the Union Editor will be the winning candidate, and if elected, WENTWORTH will be printer in fact to both Houses.

McGEHEE, who has grown very rich off from Government contracts, hopes to succeed Gen. [illegible] of late Houses, either in his own name, or by his "next friends." The combination against him are formidable, and equal to whatever is to the Almighty degree, repugnant to Democracy, that a single man, selling in wealth, should, for a [illegible] years, absorb the profitable business which so many poorer men are equally capable of doing.

LATER.—Indications are that there is likely to be some hard fighting in the Democratic caucus Saturday night.

The opposition to Gen. [illegible] is formidable.

BUCHANAN, for Clerk, has a decided advantage over ALLEN at present.

New-York is likely to lose the Doorkeeper for want of union. The [illegible] for the present [illegible] passage, and if your delegation would unanimously support a competent man, he would be elected. A.

[FROM THE REPORTER FOR THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.]

WASHINGTON, Tuesday, Dec. 2.

There is no doubt that the Administration will adopt measures with a view of securing the inhabitants of Kansas a fair opportunity of expressing their opinions at the ensuing election on the subject of Slavery, in the form proposed by the Constitutional Convention. Acting Governor STANTON is intrusted with the duty of carrying out the instructions.

The executive documents will contain full particulars of the proceedings of the Mormons, and show conclusively the falsity of BRIGHAM YOUNG's charge that our Government has acted in the absence of official information concerning them.

Hon. Mr. DAVIDSON, of Louisiana, says that the report of the loss of Mr. SAUNDERS, M. C., of Louisiana, in the *Opelousas*, is untrue, as he had gone to north Alabama.

News from Kansas.

IMPORTANT MEETING OF THE FREE-STATE MEN AT LAWRENCE—ACTION OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION DENOUNCED.

ST. LOUIS, Wednesday, Dec. 2.

A meeting was held at Lawrence on the 19th ult., for the purpose of considering the action of the late Constitutional Convention.

Resolutions were adopted declaring the Lecompton Constitution a gross violation of the expressed wishes of the people of Kansas; a fraud begotten of fraud; solemnly pledging themselves to resist to the last all attempts to thrust it upon them; repudiating the election proposed to be held on the 21st of December, and suggesting that if the Territorial Executive does not immediately call a special session of the Territorial Legislature, that Governor ROBINSON call a special session of the State Legislature, at the earliest moment.

A resolution recommending the appointment of a local Vigilance Committee and to sustain the action of that Committee, was also adopted.

C. B. WHITMAN presided, and speeches were made by General LANE, Governor ROBINSON and others.

Several Pro-Slavery papers in the Territory have taken strong grounds against the Convention.

From St. Louis.

THE KANSAS CONSTITUTION—NEW-MEXICO—STEAM BOILER EXPLOSION AND LOSS OF LIFE.

ST. LOUIS, Wednesday, Dec. 2.

The *Democrat* publishes the Kansas Constitution, but it contains nothing of the subject of Slavery not heretofore published.

The Santa Fé mail has arrived here. The news by it is unimportant. Lieut. WARNER, of New-York, died suddenly at Albuquerque on the 26th October.

On the morning of the 20th ult., the steam boiler in the saw-mill of EBENEZER PERRY, at Weston, Mo., exploded, killing Mr. PERRY, two negroes, and fatally scalding three others.

Important from Yucatan.

NEW-ORLEANS, Wednesday, Dec. 2.

The Mexican schooner *Eduardo*, arrived at this port, spoke on the 25th ultimo the Campeachy armed schooner *Carmen*, thus obtaining three weeks' later news from Yucatan.

Sisal had been bombarded and captured by the revolutionists.

Campeachy still held out, but was hotly besieged by the Government troops under CEPEDA. A heavy cannonading was heard from the town and besiegers the whole day of the 19th and until midnight.

Ex-President Pierce on Board the Navy Yard.

BROOKLYN, Wednesday, Dec. 2.

Ex-President PIERCE visited the Navy Yard and ships of war to-day. He was entertained by the officers on board the *Pennsylvania*, and received a national salute. A grand serenade was given him last night. On Friday he has a public reception at the City Hall. Mrs. PIERCE is improving in health. The weather is charming.

Trial of the Owners of a Steamer for Manslaughter.

BOSTON, Wednesday, Dec. 2.

The case of the owners of the steamer *Menemon Sandford*, on trial for manslaughter for the death of ALLEN FRASER, for neglecting to stop the boat when he fell overboard, was given to the Jury this afternoon. The verdict will be rendered to-morrow morning.

The Sugar Crop of Louisiana.

NEW-ORLEANS, Wednesday, Dec. 2.

The *True Delta* has reliable information that the damage to the Sugar Cane in the State is much greater than was anticipated. Some plantations will not yield one third of an average crop.

Nomination of D'Arcy McGee for the Canadian Parliament.

MONTREAL, Wednesday, Dec. 2.

At a great Irish meeting held in this city last night Mr. D'ARCY MCGEE was unanimously chosen as their candidate for a seat in Parliament at the coming election.

Mayor Wood's Defeat at Albany.

ALBANY, Wednesday, Dec. 2.

The friends of Mr. TIEMANN fired a salute here this evening of 100 guns in honor of his election. The city was also illuminated in different sections by bonfires and the burning of tar barrels.

The Weather and Canal Navigation.

BUFFALO, Wednesday, Dec. 2.

Eight propellers and several sail vessels arrived here this evening. The Erie Canal is open here. Wind south.

OSWEGO, Wednesday, Dec. 2.

A number of vessels arrived here to-day from the Welland Canal. Weather mild.

Gov. Walker and Senator Douglas.

Col. FORNEY's *Press* of yesterday has the following:

"The Governor of Kansas reached Philadelphia yesterday noon, and is the guest of his relative, Ex. GEORGE TUCKER CAMPBELL. Governor WALKER leaves for New-York this morning, and will be with us again in a few days. He is in great health and spirits, and fully and entirely committed to the doctrine of popular sovereignty, and to the principle that the will of the majority shall prevail. While entirely devoted to the Administration of JAMES BUCHANAN, to whose nomination and election Gov. WALKER gave the best and noblest energies of his nature, he will uncompromisingly adhere to the great principle which carried the present executive into power.

Hon. STEPHEN A. DOUGLAS and his lady are expected to arrive in our city this evening or to-morrow. The statement that Senator DOUGLAS supports the Calhoun Kansas Convention is a manufactured falsehood. He is a [illegible] who uttered it. *He is decidedly and unalterably opposed to that contrivance.*"

[illegible]

Nicholas Seagrist..... [illegible] Wm. B. Drake..... [illegible]
Daniel Witter..... [illegible] J. F. [illegible]
James Walsh..... [illegible] Charles Wilmurdy..... [illegible]
Whole number of votes polled..... [illegible]

[illegible]

C. N. BECKER is not elected Councilman, but Geo. H. HASWELL.

POLICE JUSTICES FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT.

Ward.	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
1—(2 Districts)...	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
2—Complete.....	214	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
3—(2 Districts)...	47	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
5—Complete.....	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Totals.....	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

The First and Fourth Districts of the Third Ward, and the First, Second and Fifth of the First Ward have to be heard from.

HONOR TO WHOM HONOR IS DUE.—An Executive man of the Tenth Ward of Brooklyn, and President of a Know-Nothing Council, on Monday last thus addressed his men—43 in number: "Men, I want you to go to the polls in New-York to-day and do all you can to elect Mayor WOOD. Come home at night and you shall receive the same pay as though you had been at work for me." It is said, speaks, that they all voted as directed.

It was not Dr. Chandler.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

Your reporter was in error in stating that I had an altercation with Dr. CHANDLER at Tammany Hall the evening, and that he was put on the platform. I have known Dr. CHANDLER as a consistent [illegible] for many years, and we never had an altercation [illegible] word together at any time. Please correct the error, and oblige, Yours, &c. ISAIAH RYNDERS.

I did not refer to Marshal RYNDERS in my remarks at Tammany Hall, when, in answer to the question from some one in the crowd, "Where are the United States officials?" I said, "Are they in the camp of the enemy," &c. Please make the correction, and oblige Yours, truly. A. J. CHANDLER.

Shelter for the Poor.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

SIR: I observe by an article in your paper headed "The Unsheltered Poor," that a large number of persons in your City are nightly without lodgings, and that the Police Commissioners have not at disposal adequate places for their reception, and have addressed the Common Council upon the subject. This appears well. It is not, however, in my judgment, going far enough into the difficulty. These persons thus seeking lodgings, all, or nearly all, many of them, require food to recuperate and fortify their energies, and be in a condition to look up some mode of earning a living, instead of spending their impaired energies in gathering up chill or [illegible] to carry them daily along to the night. Permit me to propose this plan:

1. Get houses in each ward. Make the rooms warm. Place the females applying for lodgings in one story; the males in another.

2. In the basements let Indian meal be boiled, a full supply of milk added, and all who wish fill themselves up.

This diet is easily prepared, economical and healthy. Your City or County ought to provide for the poor, apart even from the Police Commissioners. Arrangements should be immediate and [illegible]. See to it.

THE REMAINS OF CRAWFORD.—The remains of the great American Sculptor, CRAWFORD, which arrived at this port on board the ship [illegible], were removed, yesterday afternoon, from the ship by the undertaker of St. John's Church, and temporarily to the residence of the family in [illegible] Campagna. The funeral service will take place from St. John's Church on Saturday.

Sub-Post-Offices, similar to those established in New-York by the Post-Office Department, were opened in Philadelphia on the 1st inst.

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[illegible] which is now to come off here. On the [illegible] Count PUTIATIN, Vice-Admiral, Aide-de-[illegible] Governor-General of Amoor, Minister Plenipotentiary and Ambassador Extraordinary from His [illegible] Majesty the Emperor of Russia to the [illegible] Tycoon, accompanied by a suite as un[illegible] numerous as splendid. He had left his [illegible] American house of RUSSELL & Co. [illegible] visits be paid, except return visits of [illegible] were to Mr. BEALE, an old friend whose [illegible] had been when stationed here before the war, and to Mr. HIRAM, the head of another of the [illegible] American houses at this port. *From these facts [illegible] people draw conclusions as to [illegible] Russian and American [illegible] organizations.*

[illegible] left Petersburg in April, trav[illegible] days to the Amoor, where he [illegible] a paddle-wheel war-steamer, [illegible] America during the war, and sent round [illegible] and across the Pacific by our kind cous[illegible] Count steamed down to the mouth of the [illegible] after delays and much difficulty, suc[illegible] in ascertaining an announcement of his [illegible] having occupied the necessary [illegible] Shanghae, he is now [illegible] to seek an answer to his dis[illegible] at Woosung just before the [illegible] were seen standing northward [illegible] weather. The Admiral has no [illegible] and his sedentary is evidently of an [illegible] character.

[illegible] to be thought here that the objects of [illegible] extend no further than to convert [illegible] colleges at Pekin into a diplomatic establish[illegible] and to obtain a participation in the privi[illegible] granted to nations "heretofore trading to [illegible]." With an Ambassador at Pekin they can [illegible] the rest at their leisure. Meanwhile the [illegible] of all coercive measures is to be thrown up[illegible] Peiho.

[illegible] will see, I presume, how this will work. The [illegible] will either go to Pekin, or he will be back [illegible] before the present mail leaves. If Russia gains [illegible] by this quiet isolated step, she also risks. [illegible] the treatment she receives we may surely [illegible] something that may be useful to us. * * *

[illegible] from Ningpo, we had opportunities of [illegible] the coast. My little sailing-boat sped from [illegible] during the intervals of light skies [illegible] weather; and then, when night or [illegible] heavy, flew with half-closed wings [illegible] staid, and nestled in some [illegible] known only to the experi[illegible] or the native fishermen or [illegible] During these devious fits of progress we [illegible] the Capricieuse French frigate trying to make [illegible] and a large steam-transport, [illegible] thought to be Russian, but which turned [illegible] also French, lying at anchor under a [illegible] * * *

[illegible] former letter I told you that I had estab[illegible] a little channel of communication with Mr. [illegible] Commissioner Parkes back parole in Canton. Un[illegible] by the difficulties of transmission, trans[illegible] resting make the underground way [illegible] Subsequent events have shown [illegible] might have relied upon my informant's first [illegible] more than I felt justified at the time in [illegible] The proceedings respecting the overtures made by the Americans are, we now know, at [illegible] founded on fact. The blockade which was, [illegible] at once instituted by the Admiral when [illegible] reached his ears put a stop to its are[illegible] In a printed publication, having some[illegible] the character of a newspaper, which is in [illegible] at Canton, it was stated three weeks [illegible] for peace, together with re[illegible] have been delayed in conse[illegible] of the English "head man" having been [illegible] to leave for Calcutta to take part in [illegible] that is going on there, and the settle[illegible] suspicions is accordingly for the [illegible] until the American Commissioner [illegible] (I can come down from Shanghae.

[illegible] true, as my informant states that YEH [illegible] all prohibitions on trade, you will pro[illegible] of a brisk traffic being done at Macao [illegible] that we know were shut up in [illegible] as much of this and other [illegible] can reach Macao from the West, without [illegible] the Port and river of Canton are [illegible]

[illegible] to be thought, however, is what is said of [illegible] of the mails towards Canton. Shaoking [illegible] 90 miles west of Canton, the river [illegible] direct from one place to the other, and there [illegible] no point between the two at which the passage [illegible] Our best hope that [illegible] will not traverse these 90 miles must [illegible] they will find only famine at [illegible]

[illegible] the document respecting the overtures reported to have been made by the Americans:

(Translation.)

EXTRACT NO. 1.

"On the 25th July, Sowera visited the yamun of [illegible] Governor-General (YEH,) and was received by [illegible] in the western reception room. The [illegible] talked for a couple of hours, (Chinese or [illegible] not quoted—one of the former is equal to [illegible] words,) and the attendants and every one else were [illegible] from it. It is impossible, therefore, [illegible] subject of it.

[illegible] 27th, the Governor-General summoned two of the linguists before him, and put various questions to them, the subject of these questions being the state of affairs in Hong Kong and its vicinity. He also required the linguists to bring to him a letter that had been brought to Whampoa on an American ship. As soon as the Governor-General had perused this letter he ordered the officer in charge of the gate of the yamun to inform Sowera that the Governor-General wished him, and the ex-Taotai (or Superintendent of Circuit) CHIH, to be prepared to wait upon his Excellency. The subject of the conference held by his Excellency with these officers was an application on the part of the Americans to be allowed to trade.

We hear that the Americans have expressed their readiness to present the Governor-General with $200,000 in the event of his permitting them to carry on trade (at Canton) as heretofore.

On the 30th of July Sowera proceeded, by direction of the Governor-General, to Whampoa to see there the American Consul and other officers, and to settle with them relative to the permission given to the American merchants to trade at Fuhshan, Chintsun, and other places.

The Americans had another request to make—namely, the grant of an island at which they might carry on their trade with China, but the Governor-General had resolved to decide on nothing in reference to this matter without previously bringing the subject to the notice of the Emperor.

SHANGHAE, Sept. 25, 1857.

The Emperor has just taken pains, by an announcement in the Pekin *Gazette*, to let the world know that he is informed of and approves YEH's doings at Canton. France and Russia have no [illegible] fault—they have no factories destroyed, no [illegible] taken and burnt, no proclamations of [illegible] to resent. They have their quarrel to [illegible] and they go on, therefore, and offer their [illegible] to the enemy. We are in the position of that [illegible] individual who said, "Sir, you have [illegible] my nose, you have kicked me behind, you have knocked my hat over my eyes! Take care, Sir, you may go too far; you may cause the [illegible] him!" Oh for one three months of the elder Pitt! He would have telegraphed—"Take Canton and hold it with your present force." And it would have been done; for, although the authorities have are afraid of "Her Majesty's Opposition," they are not afraid of Ghinamen. With [illegible] and some gunboats at Tientsing, we might write our own treaty adn have it signed in [illegible]

[illegible] and millions, and perhaps fleets, [illegible] lives, must be sacrificed to the [illegible] of diplomacy. Somehow or other those [illegible] who are reputed to be the genii of [illegible] to have obtained seats in our [illegible]

[illegible] told that sailing ships can carry [illegible] steamships, and, judging from [illegible] we had that to believe that regu[illegible] with [illegible] antecedents are better than good screw vessels. I find that some people here know, or profess to know, something about these ships—what one of them was [illegible] and how many times that amount he [illegible] at Calcutta, what happened to [illegible] and so on. However, let us hope [illegible] that the talk being as cost 1,800 dollars and the [illegible] Canton.

Hong Kong (Sept. 25) Correspondence of the London Times.

The principal news of local interest since my last is the return of Lord ELGIN. He returned on the evening of the 19th inst. in the Peninsular and Oriental Company's screw steamer *Ava*.

Rumor is rife and sundry speculations are afloat as to the course his Excellency will now adopt. He is still powerless as when he was last here, although we are expecting the Marines and more of the navy. But what is the enemy to do in the meanwhile? The opinion gains ground that his Excellency is by this time *as well satisfied as any one in China, of the utter futility of attempting to commence matters at Pekin.* The notice taken by the Pekin *Gazette* of the operations at Canton, to which I alluded in my last, must have opened the eyes even of those who are young and inexperienced in Chinese matters. And the circumstances attending the visit of the Russian Ambassador, must quite settle the question. It is thought that his Excellency intends visiting the ports while he is waiting for the reinforcements, and he is likely to start for Shanghae before a week.

One of the local newspapers suggests that before Lord ELGIN proceeds northward he should declare war. There is a good deal to say in favor of that suggestion. We are at present in an anomalous state—neither at war nor at peace. We have no direct trade with Canton, and yet our merchants trade with the Cantonese at Macao. Canton is the object of our hostilities, and the Admiral has been most anxious to confine his attacks to Canton and its defenders; or, if hostilities should be carried on elsewhere, that they should be directed only against forts and war junks. And yet, with all this, a blockade is established which presses heavily on the population inhabiting the banks of that branch of the Great River extending between Canton and this place. Prizes are being constantly captured in that branch, and if war be not declared we may by and bye find that there has been no war at all—only a difficulty—and the captors may find themselves in another difficulty.

The blockade is a mystery. It is quite as puzzling as are the ramifications of the Canton River. The only branch that is strictly blockaded is the branch to which I have already alluded, and which is generally known as the Fatal River and the Bocca Tigris. But the Broadway, a branch running west of Macao—in fact, running in a direction almost north and south from a point a couple of miles west of Canton, till it opens out in a broad estuary some fifteen miles west of Macao—has been hitherto left unguarded. The consequence is that the trade of this colony has suffered extremely.

The only results of the blockade as yet are—that the inhabitants of the country districts suffer; trade is checked in Hong Kong; the price of provisions enhanced; the Cantonese are but little affected; and Macao is flourishing. In fact, it is a blockade of Hong Kong, not of Canton. It is, no doubt, difficult to blockade every passage which in this inextricable net of waters opens through the Great Delta at the mouth of the great river commonly called the Canton River. Indeed, the only complete way to effect it is to push the blockading force as far as possible up close to Canton, and then, instead of having to guard some dozens of entrances, it could be managed by looking after some four or five.

It is confidently expected that the attack on Canton will take place about the end of the year. The reinforcement of Marines ought to be here about that time, and between them, and the garrison, and the fleet, there ought to be 5,000 men available for the attack on Canton.

NATIONAL POLITICS.

The Kansas Question and the Administration.

Views and Sentiments of the Kansas Press.

Extracts from the Leading Organs of the Democratic Party.

From the Lecompton Democrat.

We think the Convention has committed a capital error. It was in their power completely to redeem themselves in the eyes of the people, and to cure all the defects of their original election. They ought to have risked themselves frankly upon the popular support, appealing to the patriotism and justice of the people to sustain their acts. With the exception of Judge ELMORE, A. W. JOHNS, and a few other good men, they seemed to be haunted by the fear that the majority would reject any Constitution that they might make. Better, a thousand times, that their Constitution should be rejected, than that it should be forced upon an unwilling and dissatisfied people. *But we do not believe, that if a frank and manly confidence had been exhibited towards the people, they would have rejected* The Constitution would have been ratified by them. They would have been constituted by the full acknowledgment of their right to decide upon the adoption of their fundamental law, and no considerable part of them would have sacrificed their sense of duty to a mere feeling of resentment. We have had abundant evidence to satisfy our minds that while the more rancorous and heated partisans were ready to vote down anything that might be presented, the great body of the people, intelligent and sober-minded men of business, having but little interest in mere party squabbles, were *prepared to judge of the Constitution upon its real merits, and to vote accordingly.*

We do not know what will be the immediate result of this unfortunate proceeding of the Convention. Whether the mass of the people will participate in the vote upon the alternative proposition, or leave them to be decided by an inconsiderable party which elected the members of the Convention, we are wholly unable to predict. We are inclined to think that *the Free State Party generally will refrain from voting, and that trouble will be produced by the adoption of a Constitution known to be unacceptable to the vast majority of the population.*

Most earnestly do we deprecate a result so unfortunate, and calculated to produce such serious disturbance. Will the troubles of this unhappy Territory never have an end? Will parties never cease to struggle for ascendency to be gained by stratagem, instead of by a fair and manly appeal to public opinion? We believe there will never be peace and quiet in Kansas, *until every question of difference shall have been honestly submitted to the judgment of the people* and decided by them without restraint or hinrance. Any device adopted for the purpose of evading this ordeal, will but prolong the struggle infinitely and give perpetuity to trouble and to angry agitation.

THE REMEDY PROPOSED FOR THE ACTION OF THE CONVENTION.

From the Herald of Freedom, (Gov. Walker's Organ.)

It is proposed to convene an extra session of the Territorial Legislature, with a view of meeting the contingency which the late Constitutional Convention has thrown upon the people, by legislative statements.

It is asked whether the Governor possesses the power to convene that body. Such authority is especially invested in him by the 30th section of the organic act, in the words following:

"*Provided*, That there shall be but one session of the legislature annually, *unless*, on an *extraordinary occasion*, the Governor shall think proper to call the Legislature together."

The "extraordinary occasion" has certainly arrived, and no person will doubt the right, or duty of the Governor to advise with the Legislature on a contingency like the present.

It being evident that the Legislature, if convened, will be the one elected by the people, what can that body do towards relieving us from our present dilemma? This question being important, we shall answer it in a practical way. The Legislature, when convened, after electing their officers, and appointing a committee on contested elections, with a view of avoiding all extremes at the extra session, however much inclined to do at the regular session, should instruct that committee to obtain proofs of fraud and other irregularities, and report on the first day of the regular session in January next. Then a bill might be reported, something of the following character:

"Sec. 1. *Be it enacted, by the Governor and Legislative Assembly of the Territory of Kansas*, That the Constitution framed by a Delegate Convention, appointed by the people of Kansas, convened at Lecompton, on the 19th day of September, 1857, and which closed its labors on the 7th day of November last, *shall be submitted to a fair and impartial vote of all the white male inhabitants of the Territory of Kansas*, who have actually resided in said Territory for six months next preceding such election, and in the district or precinct in which he offers to vote, for twenty days next before the said election, and shall be a citizen of the United States, or shall have declared his intention to become such."

Then proceed to make all necessary rules and regulations touching such election, naming the time, providing for the districting of the Territory, the appointment of judges, the issuing of a Proclamation by the Governor, the manner of returns, as well as the mode of voting, and all other proper provisions which the Legislature will readily suggest.

It has also been proposed that *the Legislature, assuming the same powers of the preceding one, make provisions for the convening of a new Convention, and for the formation of a new Constitution*, and that such Constitution be barried through and be sent up to Congress with the one framed by this illegitimate Convention.

Both of these plans might be adopted at the same time, and the people might be authorized to vote upon the bastard Constitution at the same time they were electing Delegates to a new Convention.

To us something of this character seems the only practical way of getting out of our present troubles. The Constitution now framed represents the views of less than two-thirds of the Convention framing it. That entire Convention reflects the views of a very small minority of the people of Kansas, not counting the thousand votes cast of a population of more than twenty thousand. The Legislature about to assemble, representing full 14,000 of the people of Kansas protesting in legal form against that Constitution, with the intervention of the Governor, and the people of the Territory, in obedience to a law of that Legislature, rejecting their votes very generally against it, in a proportion of twenty, and perhaps twenty-five to one for it, it seems to us that the Congress now Congress, would not dare to do else than reject that instrument. Indeed, should they do else, instead of silencing the clamors of the people of Kansas, they would find our difficulties twofold and our Democratic cause would be again wet with the blood of her own citizens, shed in defence of their just rights.

A FREE-STATE CONVENTION SUMMONED.

A Delegate Convention of the Free-State Party will be held at Lawrence on Wednesday, the 24 of December, at 10 o'clock A. M.

Two Delegates are authorised to each member of the State Legislature. The object of this meeting is to take into consideration the present political position of the Territory. A full representation is requested, as questions of vital importance will come before the Convention.

G. W. SMITH, Chairman.
G. W. HUTCHINSON, Secretary Territorial Committee.
J. W. ROSS, Chairman State Executive Committee.

MOVEMENTS FOR THE REMOVAL OF GOVERNOR WALKER.

From the Lawrence Herald of Freedom.

We stated, several weeks ago, that we had information some time before the election, of a determination, on the part of the Pro-Slavery Party, to procure the removal of Governor WALKER. Their object was to get him out of the way to make room for their bastard Governor, to be appointed under the Lecompton Convention. The election had hardly closed when the movement was commenced. First, by procuring Free-State men to raise a cry of interference in the election, *Pro-Slavery men furnishing the evidence on which to base the charge.* Second, by charging him with going behind the returns, and giving certificates of election to Free-State candidates, when the returns showed a majority for the Pro-Slavery candidates. It was thought a simultaneous complaint from each party would certainly insure his removal.

While in St. Louis, last week, we saw Gen. McLEAN, of Lecompton, and learned, from a friend of his, that he was there to procure the publication, in pamphlet form, *for distribution in the South, of the proceedings of about twenty wild Pro-Slavery men*, who met in Lecompton the night after Governor WALKER and Secretary STANTON issued their proclamation rejecting the fictitious Oxford election returns. The Governor and Secretary are denounced in unmeasured terms, and *charged with being false to the principles of the Democratic Party*—they virtually take the position that fraud, false voting, and fictitious election returns, are characteristic of the principles of that Party.

We were also informed, while at St. Louis, that Gen. HARNEY had gone East, with the view of operating against the Governor and Secretary. Such we are happy to learn was false. The General only visited St. Louis, and immediately returned to Fort Leavenworth. He did request of the officers under his command at the Fort, to inquire into the truth of the reports in regard to Gov. WALKER's interference with the soldiers; and we are assured by one who knows, that the report of the officers substantiated every material statement made by us several weeks ago in regard to that transaction. The Pro-Slavery men at Leavenworth and Kickapoo, were desirous of driving the Governor from the Territory. They have labored to make cats' paws of the Free-State Party for that purpose. We only regret that they have been too successful in obtaining *instruments* to work with.

A VERY BACK-HANDED AND EQUIVOCAL SUPPORT OF THE LECOMPTON CONVENTION.

From the Richmond (Va.) Inquirer.

Governor WALKER has been in Washington several days, and it is confidently asserted that he condemns instead of indorsing the action of the Lecompton Convention, relative to the submission of the Slavery question alone to the decision of the people of Kansas. It is also said that this position is contradictory to that of the Administration. We are not otherwise advised than through the press—the same medium which is open to all. And we heartily hope that the true state of the case has been exaggerated. But, regardless of all other considerations than the peace and quiet of the country, the interests and honor of the South and the harmony of the Democratic Party, our position was taken at an early hour after the decision of the Convention was made known to the country. The same reasons which induced us to express our gratification that the drama was drawing to a close, and to accede unhesitatingly but not unquestiedly to the terms submitted to the people of Kansas, are as strong with us now as they were then. And be the result as it may, we mean to maintain them to the end. *That it would have been in more rigid conformity to the Democratic doctrine of the sovereignty of the people, in closer consonance with our American principles of constitutional liberty, and better calculated to give universal satisfaction, not only to the inhabitants of Kansas but to the entire Union, for the whole of what is designed for the organic law of the new State to have been submitted to the people, we are firmly convinced.* But a legitimate convention has been held. It has completed its work. The institution of *Slavery* is left to be determined by the popular will. It is essential to the safety of the Union that the Kansas question should be settled at speedily as practicable; and, therefore, though we would have preferred that every provision and clause of the Constitution should have been referred for ratification or rejection to the people for whom it has been framed, we, nevertheless, contend that, under the circumstances, if that is the only objection, that Congress should have no hesitation in admitting Kansas into the Union, immediately upon application. We are at no loss to discover more creditable motives for the course of those Northern Democrats who differ from us, and, as we hear, from the Administration in this matter, than those, which will doubtless be imputed to them, by men who desire a disruption of the Democratic Party, as the prelude to a dissolution of the Union. Not are we willing yet to denounce Governor WALKER as a traitor to the South, even though he insist that the sovereign rights of the people of Kansas have been disregarded by the action of the Convention.

It is a fundamental principle of Republicanism—the basis upon which our own Government rests—that the *will of the people* is alone legitimate to determine upon the laws under which they are to live. The American people are a nation of sovereigns. And their divine right to rule themselves is never delegated to those who are invested only with the authority of representatives. It is impracticable in every instance, it is true, to arrive at the sense of the people by a direct vote of all, without any intermediate agency. *But the genius of our government demands the closest possible ascertainment to be ascertaining of the popular will on all questions involving the laws of the land.* In forming the organic law of a State, a convention elected by the people for that purpose is indispensable. But there is nothing easier than to ascertain if the work of that convention is acceptable to those who directed it to be done, by allowing them an opportunity to express their approval or disapproval at the polls.

Conventions in this country are not sovereign. The people jealously regard their rights, and nothing but grave considerations of the public good, under peculiar circumstances, can reconcile them to a transgression of authority on the part of those who represent them. It is, doubtless, in view of this sacred sovereignty of the people that some of the Democrats of the North remonstrate against the action of the Lecompton Convention in submitting only a single feature of the organic law of Kansas to be ratified or rejected as the popular will might elect. But while we accord to them this praiseworthy motive, we still think they are jeoparding those things that are infinitely more valuable than the result of a strict enforcement of this principle in this single instance, and in the manner in which it is proposed to accomplish it could possibly prove. They should be willing to accept the less of the two evils. *They should acquiesce in, or submit to, a departure from the principle of popular sovereignty in its most stringent sense, rather than aid in bringing about a renewal of civil strife in Kansas, and increasing the bitterness of the sectional contest between the North and the South.*

We agree with them, that the will of the people is not allowed its legitimate exercise. But for the reasons we have already stated, we do not concur with them in the opinion that Congress ought not to admit Kansas into the Union, because the whole Constitution is not to be submitted to the vote of the people.

The very fact that the Convention concluded to refer one feature of the organic law for popular approval or repudiation, is evidence, we think, that *the members of that body did not consider themselves as acting in a sovereign capacity.* If it would be an infringement of the principle of popular sovereignty to refuse to submit the whole Constitution, is it not proportionately so to refuse to submit all but a single feature of it? And if the institution of Slavery alone is referred to the people, because that was the only point with reference to which, the Convention thought it probable the popular will differed from its own there is an acknowledgment at once that the Convention cut adhered itself sovereign only in so far as it was assured of accurately representing the wishes of the people. And from this, again, it follows that all the sovereignty is, at last, admitted to be in those who are represented, and not with their representatives. Under ordinary circumstances, it might not be improbable that a Convention elected by the people would be assured of accurately representing the wishes of their constituents, upon all material points at least. But it must be remembered that thousands have been added to the number of *bona fide* inhabitants of Kansas since the members of the Convention were elected; and they have a right to be heard as well as those who preceded them. Had the Convention submitted the whole Constitution to the people it *would have been far better*—there could have been no complaint in Kansas, in the North or in the South. And as Slavery is the only feature in which the Southern people were at all interested, it is, of course, so far as Slavery in Kansas is concerned, the same to them now as if every clause of the Constitution was referred to the people. The result of the whole affair will be determined at last by the popular will. If there is anything in the received portion of the Constitution, which is dishonorous to the people, *they can easily amend it by calling another Convention after Kansas is admitted as a State.*

We regret, deeply, that some of our Democratic contemporaries of the North are urging a refusal of the admission of Kansas into the Union with the Lecompton Constitution, on account of the ill-judged action of the Convention. They should remember that Slavery is the practical question to be disposed of. And so far as that is concerned, the spirit and letter of the Nebraska act are about to be enforced.

Until we have stronger evidence in support of the charges of his enemies, we shall attribute to Gov. WALKER the same motives which we believe to influence those Northern Democrats who differ from us in this matter.

We are afraid there will be angry discussion in Congress on this question. And it may be that it has yet to reach its most exciting and alarming stage. But we have confidence in the wisdom, firmness and strength of the Administration.

[illegible] WARNER AND SENATOR DOUGLAS.

From the Cincinnati Journal, (Republican.)

It is said that Gov. WALKER had an interview with Senator DOUGLAS while on his way from Kansas to Washington. Previous to that interview, he had not fully made up his mind what course to take in regard to the Lecompton Constitution. His decided course now, and his hostile attitude towards the Administration, are supposed to be the fruits of the pulling of their two heads together.

Senator DOUGLAS has gone on to Washington to assist in carrying out their plans for the annoyance of Mr. BUCHANAN. The Chicago *Journal* says he left there on Wednesday night, "full of wrath and fury at the course of the Administration, and with an openly avowed purpose to oppose the doctrines enunciated by the Washington *Union* to the bitter end."

PROBABLE ACTION OF THE PRESIDENT.

From the Philadelphia Press.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Nov. 30, 1857.

The Kansas question excites more attention now than any other. The different positions assumed by the press and politicians are freely canvassed. Where it is said that the President and his Cabinet favor the proceedings of the Lecompton Constitutional Convention in the adoption of the schedule, which created the main point of controversy, the inquiry naturally arises, where or by whom have they published that to be their position?

I have every reason to believe that the President, in his message, *will not support the Convention to the extent it is rumored he will.* Within a short period the facts, so far as they have come to his knowledge, he will do nothing more than express it as his opinion, based upon these facts—not the entire facts—that the question of Slavery, which is taken to be the principal issue amongst the people of Kansas, has been submitted to a vote of the people. Whether the entire Constitution ought to be given to the ratification or rejection of that people may not be touched at all.

Even those who favor the Convention and its action do not for a moment deny that, as a matter of policy, it were best to submit the entire instrument. If that were done, there would then be no room for cavil; the principle of popular sovereignty would be carried out fairly, in spirit as well as in letter.

THE PROSPECT AT WASHINGTON—GOVERNOR WALKER'S POLICY ABOUT KANSAS.

Correspondence of the Richmond Enquirer.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Nov. 30, 1857.

The city is rapidly filling up with the wisdom of the nation, with a strong sprinkling of strangers and outsiders, and the usual forerunners of the opening of a new Congress. As the politicians arrive, the theme of discussion is the Kansas difficulty, and a great difficulty, I fear, it will prove to be, not only to the Administration but to the country.

It is a fact that the Administration and Governor WALKER differ as wide as the poles in sentiment, and a general split-up seems inevitable. The President stands committed to the action of the Constitutional Convention, and will endeavor to secure the acceptance of the Constitution of Kansas by Congress, while Governor WALKER declares emphatically his determined and absolute opposition to the whole proceeding, and will make war upon the Constitution. Any other course, he says, would be a violation of all his pledges to the people of Kansas and involve him in infamy and disgrace. It was suggested to Governor WALKER that he might return to Kansas and induce a full vote on the Constitution "with" or "without Slavery," as the case might be, and afterward have Congress send the instrument back for a fair vote upon its whole merits. He says he had as well preach to the inmates of a lunatic asylum, *as he could not influence a single man to vote for the Constitution even under protest.* As the question is submitted—"Constitution with Slavery," or "Constitution without Slavery"—every person in the Territory who exercises the right of suffrage is forced to vote for the Constitution. This is objected to, and Governor WALKER says will lead to rebellion and civil war if an attempt be made thus to force a Constitution upon Kansas. The people demand the right to approve or disapprove the whole instrument. In this demand, Governor WALKER fully sustains them and pronounces any other course an outrage upon the rights and subversive of all the principles of free government. The President contends that the Slavery clause was the only material issue, and that being fairly presented, he shall support the Constitution as adopted, whether with or without the Slavery clause, and urge its approval by Congress. Will he be sustained in this by the Democracy of the two houses? This is the important inquiry, and one which remains to be solved. Several Northern Democrats declare their readiness to vote for any Constitution presented—that if the Slavery clause be a part of it, the free-sollers, who refuse to vote, are alone responsible. Others again say, that unless they are satisfied the public sentiment of Kansas has been fairly heard, they will vote against the Constitution, whatever may be its provisions. Thus have we a prospect of a general breaking up of party lines, unless some plan can be devised to avoid the difficulty. *Governor Walker suggests that Congress, immediately upon organizing, pass a bill similar in all respects to the Minnesota territorial bill, providing for the organization of a State Government in Kansas.* This would avoid the election fixed for the 21st proximo, and all its threatening consequences. This suggestion of the Governor's *meets with general approval among the Northern Democrats*, nor would I be surprised to see it adopted. The Minnesota bill required the whole Constitution to be submitted to the people. The President and Governor are to have another interview to-day, when it will be determined what recommendation he will make in his message touching the matter.

As the city fills with politicians and members of Congress, the excitement growing out of the anticipated organization of the House of Representatives evidently increases. Colonel OTIS is here and surrounded by a host of friends, who regard his election to the Speakership as beyond a contingency. Major PHELPS, his only competitor, reached here last evening to take a view of the field, and, I believe, before the meeting of caucus, on Saturday evening next, he will retire from the contest. The contest for Clerk is narrowed down to two, Messrs. ALLEN and ROBINSON.

The Doorkeeper will be given to New-York—and, as the programme now stands with that delegation, Mr. BYRON DAYMAN will be the lucky man. Pennsylvania will retain the Sergeant-at-Arms in the person of Col. GLEASANNAN, the present incumbent, while Virginia will probably secure the Postmaster.

The members of Congress are generally taking furnished houses and going to house-keeping, with a view to economy, so exorbitant are the hotel charges here this Winter. A short session is anticipated, and the hotel men think they must make "hay while the sun shines." They may defeat their own purposes.

RAPPAHANNOCK.

From the Baltimore Sun.

WASHINGTON, Monday, Nov. 30.

Among the Democratic members of Congress who have arrived here there is a disposition to treat the Kansas question in a spirit of moderation. They do not recognize any necessity for committing themselves on the question before the Constitution itself shall be brought before them. As the Northern and Southern Democracy have so far acted in concert upon the question, and so far overcame its difficulties, it is not likely that they will split upon it now.

As to the course of the Administration upon the subject, it is to be observed that *it is no longer an executive, but entirely a legislative question.* It goes before Congress for legislation. Congress may or may not adopt the Constitution in the form in which it shall be presented.

It is not necessary, therefore, that the President should, in his message, and in anticipation of the submission of the Constitution to the people of Kansas or to Congress, either approve or condemn the action of the Convention.

An absurd rumor prevails in the city to-day that Governor WALKER was to be immediately removed. Such an act, on the eve of the organization of the House, would disturb the harmony of the Democratic Party, and delay the choice of a Speaker.

Judge DOUGLAS will be here to-morrow night, as is reported, and many suppose that he, being the author of the Kansas-Nebraska bill, will determine, by his own opinion, the course of the Democratic Party upon the question which has now arisen upon its practical application. Many of those who were in favor of the submission of the whole Constitution to the people will accept the partial submission, for the sake of relieving Congress and the country from further agitation of the subject.

WESTERN DEMOCRACY AND THE KANSAS ISSUE.

From the Detroit Free Press, (organ of Gen. Cass.)

* * * What mockery is this? The Convention did not submit the Constitution to the people because the Convention knew the people would vote it down! So says the Washington *Union*. What is this *but an utter denial of the right of the people recognized by the Cincinnati Democratic National Convention?* What is this but setting the Convention over and above the people? Who ever before heard the action of a majority called "factious?" If the people of Kansas want the Topeka Constitution, in the name of God are they not entitled to have it, provided they act "through the legally and fairly expressed will of a majority of the actual residents?"

If the Washington *Union* is sane, we submit that this is *a deliberate attempt to bring the great Democratic doctrine of Popular Sovereignty into ridicule and contempt.* We submit that it is a deliberate attempt to disintegrate and destroy the Democratic Party. For, under such an interpretation of the Kansas organic law, *the Democratic Party in the Northern States might as well disband at once; it could never rise.*

The Washington *Union* declared, on the 7th of July last, that a Constitution, formed by the Lecompton Convention, which should not be submitted to the test of a popular vote, "would, no matter what it contained, never be acknowledged by its opponents to be anything but a fraud." We asked that declaration then. We shall soon see how prophetic was the language. We see it already. Gov. WALKER brings the intelligence that the Lecompton Constitution is scouted by the people of Kansas.

There is but one solution of the Kansas question—that is, by leaving it to an census of Kansas, through the legally and fairly expressed will of a majority of the actual residents, to make a Constitution for themselves. We look to Congress to enact the proper [illegible] *Kansas to do this. It can be done by the passage of a very simple law, in the form of that passed in the last session of Congress, enabling Minnesota to form a Constitution and State Government.*

We are reminded to know that Gov. WALKER stands to all his pledges. He promised the people of Kansas that, unless the Lecompton Convention should submit their work fairly and fairly to the people, he would oppose the acceptance of that work by Congress, and he will do it. And we, for one, shall hear him cheerfully.

[illegible] OF SECRETARY OF STATE THOS. BRIGHT, THE KANSAS ISSUE.

From the Richmond (Va.) Enquirer.

[illegible] IN CONGRESS.—The new approach of this important crisis depends a few months from those who are interested in the political action of the great Democratic party.

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The probability that Kansas will be admitted into the Union at an early day, [illegible] the opinions of the Democratic party [illegible] elections and to [illegible] Democratic National Convention [illegible]

The issue before Congress will be, shall a State be admitted, the whole Constitution of which has not been submitted to the people for or against Slavery, or shall Kansas be remanded to await a new vote upon the form of fundamental law which is to rule the people?

These questions will influence materially the action of Congress, and it may be that the decisions of the Chair on the report of a Committee may either settle the *status* of Kansas or unchain again the tiger of sectional strife.

We make this allusion to say that we regard the discussion of Congress, as to either the manner or matter of State organization, a dangerous and unwarrantable intervention. The people of a State may delegate whatsoever measure of sovereignty they think proper, either in whole or in part, to a Convention.

We must be allowed to say that, as it was contended by our antagonists that the Convention of Kansas had power to enact and give immediate validity to that status of the new Constitution which excluded the right of suffrage, we do not see why it should not have the power to legalize any or all the provisions of the instrument. But be this as it may, Congress has no more right to inquire whether a Republican Constitution, presented by a State, has been adopted in accordance with certain rules of State organization prescribed by Congress, than we have to catechise a subscriber who pays his subscription, whether he has come honestly by the money which he offers us.

At all events, we hope the *candidates for the office of Speaker of the House of Representatives will define their position upon the right of Kansas to admission into the Union*, if the present herself with a Republican Constitution, "with or without Slavery, as the people (in convention) shall have determined."

LAW INTELLIGENCE.

Were the Old Police Legally Discharged?—Judge Davies' Opinion.

SUPREME COURT—Special Term—Dec. 2.

Before Hon. Justice Davies.

Philip McDermott vs. The Board of Police.—Judge DAVIES rendered the following elaborate opinion in this matter this morning:

Complaint filed by plaintiff—alleging that he is a tax-payer in the City of New-York, the owner of real estate therein, and, as such, is liable to be assessed and compelled to pay taxes for the supported maintenance of the Police of said City. He files his complaint as well on his own behalf as of all others similarly situated.

He alleges that, by law and the action of the Board of Supervisors, the number of policemen for the City and County of New-York is limited to 1,270; that the Board of Police, organized under the act of April 13, 1857, had appointed more than 600 policemen; and that there are now in said City, ready and willing to do their duty as policemen, more than 500 who were policemen at the time of the passage of that act, and who have never been removed in accordance with its provisions.

The plaintiff further alleges that he was duly appointed a policeman on the 16th of January, 1857; that he was doing duty as such at the time of the passage of the act of April 16, 1857; and that in May or June last the said Board of Police attempted to remove him from his office of policeman; that such removal was made without written charges being preferred against him, or any opportunity being given him to be heard in his defence; that on the 9th of October last the said Board of Police adopted a resolution in the words following:

"*Resolved*, That such of the old police force as have not been dismissed from the police in conformity to law, be, and they are hereby declared to be, of the Metropolitan Police of this City, and entitled to do duty and to be paid as such."

That after the adoption of that resolution, another was adopted by said Board, as follows:

"*Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed, to hear and report to the Board the claims of members of the discharged police to be restored to duty."

That a Committee was appointed by said Board, in conformity with said resolution; that they had taken testimony and heard the applications of several policemen to be restored to duty, but had not reported them to the Board.

The plaintiff further alleges that notwithstanding the number of policemen in office was greater than the number allowed by law, the said Board of Police were proceeding to appoint additional policemen, thereby creating an illegal charge upon the property of the plaintiff and other tax-payers.

The plaintiff thereupon demanded judgment that he was a member of the Metropolitan Police, and as such entitled to pay, and that it might be declared that the number of Policemen now in office were all that the law allowed to be appointed, and that said Board be restrained from appointing a greater number, or any additional number of Policemen, beyond that authorized by law.

The defendants show by affidavits in opposition, that the Board of Police organized under the act on the 23d of April, 1857; (and it was conceded on the argument that at that time the number of the Police was 1,270;) that a large portion of said Police force did not elect to come in and do duty under that law; that previous to its passage the Police force of the City of New-York was under the direction of and appointed by the Board of Police, consisting of the Mayor of the said City, the Recorder, and City Judge; and that all of said Police force except 251 adhered to that organization, and refused to recognize or do duty under the Board of Defendants.

That the plaintiff, though doing duty under the present organization, had never been legally appointed, the Recorder not being present at the meeting.

That the plaintiff and a large number of the Police in office, on the 23d of April, 1857, were, on the 12th of June last, charged with the willful disobedience of orders, by written charges preferred by a Sergeant of Police, and the said charges, with a notice that the said Board would proceed to hear and determine the same, on the 22d of June following, were made up and addressed to the plaintiff; that on the last-named day evidence was given under oath to the Board of Police that said charges and summons and notifications had been served on the plaintiff; that on the 23d of June, on due proof that the plaintiff had willfully disobeyed the order of the Board of Police, he was adjudged guilty of the charge and dismissed from the service.

That in reference to all the other members of the Police force in office at the time of the passage of the act of April 16, with the exception of 251, they continued to act in hostility to the defendants, and in consequence of their neglect and refusal to do duty as directed by them, said Board had taken proceedings similar to the proceedings aforesaid against the plaintiff, by which they were all declared and adjudged, prior to July 2, 1857, to be removed.

It also appears by affidavits that the present Police force doing duty under the defendants is 901, of which number 251 are of the Police force existing on the 15th of April, 1857, and the residue, 610, new appointments.

It also appears that a copy of the charges preferred against the plaintiff, and notice of trial were served upon him personally two days before the time fixed for his trial.

It also appears that the Board of Police have adopted rules and regulations for their government in pursuance of the power conferred upon them by statute.

They provide for the holding of regular meetings of the Board of Police on Tuesdays and Fridays of each week.

That all charges preferred against any member of the Police force must be in writing and sworn to or affirmed with the name and residence of the complainant. But that charges may be preferred by either of the Commissioners, General or Deputy Superintendents, or Inspector, simply in writing.

That when charges are filed, it is made the duty of the Chief Clerk to notify the person complained of to call and examine the charges, and the trial thereof

[illegible] is competent for the Legislature to prescribe the time and manner of giving notice, where they run [illegible] Such was the English [illegible] and it was [illegible] that such holding should be [illegible] Board of Police, when they have [illegible] and regulations. For they have [illegible] that the party complained of shall have written [illegible] and examine the witnesses against him [illegible] and be heard in his defence. It would be [illegible] that the Board should have personal knowledge of them. It was [illegible] the opinion of answering the same by [illegible] and, in the event of a [illegible] to be a matter of notice of the time of [illegible] Board.

It is apparent in the complaint in this cause, and not denied by the affidavits in opposition, except as to the [illegible] that the last three [illegible] have been removed without any personal notice of the charges preferred, or of any personal notice of the time and place where they were to be heard in [illegible] such personal notice necessary to constitute a [illegible] and valid removal? It seems to me, from the considerations already suggested, that the Legislature [illegible] that the Board of Police so understood [illegible] the uniform practice under the act of [illegible] and the rules and regulations of the Board of Police, so understood it, and had a right so to understand it.

And such is the well-known and long-established rule of law applicable in the point under consideration.

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The Kansas Question—Prospects of the Coming Session.

The position of the Kansas question is creating profound excitement in the Democratic Party. The Republicans have been as feverish upon the general subject so long that they are no more disturbed now than usual; having from the beginning, moreover, expected nothing from the Administration, they are not disappointed. But the Democrats have more at stake, and are consequently more excited. They are pledged to the principle of popular sovereignty, and they find this principle in danger of being abandoned and repudiated by the very men who were placed in office on the strength of it. They conducted the last Presidential canvass upon the position that the people of Kansas should be left perfectly free to form and regulate their own institutions in their own way;—the country sustained them in this position;—they stand committed and pledged to it before the world. Now they are told that the *only* "institution" upon which the people can be allowed to vote is that of Slavery;—that upon all others—education, banks, railroads, criminal law, popular rights, tenure of office, &c., &c., &c.—it is perfectly legitimate, proper and *Democratic* that a Convention, representing less than a third of the people, should impose upon the State precisely such rules and regulations as they may see fit. It is not at all singular that such a prospect should strike them as a little alarming.

Upon another page of this morning's TIMES we have collected various significant indications of Democratic sentiment in various parts of the country, upon the issue which is likely to be thus presented. The Kansas Democratic Press, it will be seen, take ground strongly and unanimously against the action of the Convention and demand for the People of Kansas the right to adopt, or reject, the Constitution which has been framed for their government. In this demand they are sustained by the leading Democratic journals throughout the Northern States. There are papers among them which are unwilling to take ground against the Administration upon this subject, and which make feeble attempts to show that the submission of the Slavery question to the popular vote is really all that was ever desired. But the current of Democratic sentiment is clearly and unmistakably the other way. It is felt to be a question of honor and good faith, as well as of party policy and expediency;—and the great body of the Democratic Party of the North will resist the admission of Kansas as a State under any Constitution which shall not have been submitted to their vote and received their full and explicit approval.

At the South the general current of Democratic sentiment, as expressed through the Press, is the other way. The leading fire-eating journals insist upon the power of the Convention to impose just such a Constitution upon the people as they may see fit, and represent that it was a gracious and gratuitous condescension on their part to submit any portion of that document to the popular vote. But this endeavor to base the admission of a State upon a mere technicality,—to cheat the people out of their sovereignty over their fundamental law by a verbal quibble which would do no credit to a country pettifogger, meets with little favor from the better portion of the Southern chivalry. The Richmond *Enquirer*, under the pressure of party discipline, feels constrained to favor the admission of Kansas with the Lecompton Constitution;—but the article upon the subject which we copy from its columns, affords the most amusing instance of looking one way and rowing another which we have seen for a long time. The *Enquirer* proves conclusively that the action proposed is an outrage upon popular rights, a flat repudiation of the principle of popular sovereignty and a flagrant and shameless disregard of every doctrine of Republican Democracy. Still, as the least of two evils, it advises its acceptance. To prevent renewed disturbances in Kansas, it counsels her admission with the Lecompton Constitution. It will probably not take the *Enquirer* long to discover, that the effect aimed at will require a very different course of action.

We do not give full credit to the reports that President BUCHANAN will sustain the Lecompton Convention and zealously urge the admission of Kansas, in his forthcoming Message. Such a course would throw a fire-brand into the Democratic Party which would greatly embarrass its action in Congress and throughout the country. Mr. BUCHANAN is not a man to take upon himself, or his party, needless risks; and there is certainly no occasion for him to take any active and ostentatious part in this controversy. We have no doubt that he would greatly strengthen himself in the country at large by taking ground boldly in favor of Popular Sovereignty against the Lecompton movement. But if he fears the ultralists of the South too much for this, he has the alternative of leaving the matter to the action of Congress, where it properly belongs.

Senator DOUGLAS is evidently the man of the crisis. He has the decision of the whole matter in his hands. His position in the Democratic Party, the fact that he was the author of the Nebraska bill, his important services to the party in the last campaign, and the weight derived from his unquestioned ability, combine to give him an influence which will be decisive in the settlement of this controversy. If he will, at the very outset of the discussion, bring forward a bill authorizing a Convention in Kansas, to frame a new Constitution,—either with or without the submission of the Lecompton document to the popular vote,—he will carry it triumphantly through both houses of Congress, and end this protracted and embittered contest forever.

MAYOR WOOD'S POLITICAL POSITION.—It is supposed by many that Mayor WOOD's defeat terminates his political career,—that he cannot recover from the blow thus inflicted, and that he must now disappear from the political field. We suspect that those who indulge this hope will find themselves mistaken. His defeat is undoubtedly a heavy blow, and he will have much less influence with his own party than he would have enjoyed if he had been elected. But a man who, with his own party divided, polls 60,000 votes in this City, and in the largest aggregate vote ever cast, and against the most formidable combination ever organized, lacks only 8,000 of an election, is not likely to be without political influence.

[illegible] yesterday afternoon, at his suggestion, to take into consideration the action to be pursued towards those prominent members of the Democratic Party, Federal office-holders and others, who opposed his election. His friends allege that, at the time the Cooper and Small Committees came together it was a condition of the agreement, that the Cooper men should unite and give Wood's party their undivided support—that they supported the Cooper men who received the principal nominations for City and County offices at the November election, and they owe their office to the support thus obtained; but immediately afterwards they entered into arrangements with the Republican and American Parties to insure his (WOOD's) defeat. If, say they, these persons suppose that the hatchet is buried, and that WOOD is laid on the shelf, they are very much mistaken—they intend to fight them in the most determined manner, both here and at Washington.

We do not believe the Mayor will succeed in persuading the President to espouse his personal grieft or to lend the power of his office to their revenge. But he will undoubtedly do a good deal to perpetuate the discord and bitter intestine strife in the party, which he has hitherto done so much to create and foster.

The Value of the Victory.

In the result of the election of Tuesday this City has gained not only the precious loss of a dangerous and disreputable Chief Magistrate, and the substitution in his place of a decent and respectable citizen, but something of wider and deeper import than any change in the incumbency of any single office whatever.

The pretensions of Mayor WOOD and the language used by his supporters forced upon the voters of Tuesday a most exciting and extraordinary issue. They made it a question to be settled at the polls whether the personal character of a candidate for a conspicuous public office should or should not be utterly disregarded by the citizens of a great republican city. The charges which have been pertinaciously advanced against Mayor WOOD from the first moment of his entrance upon official life, had never been satisfactorily disposed of. His supporters refused to meet those charges. They refused in point-blank terms to enter at all upon the discussion of the integrity of their candidate and of his moral fitness for the high office to which he aspired. In the often-quoted language of one of the most conspicuous of their number, they insisted upon enthroning Mr. FERNANDO WOOD in the City Hall of New-York because a certain knot of politicians had nominated him for the Mayoralty, be his nature and attributes what they might, and protested that we should choose him were he even a "devil incarnate."

It was in the issue involved in this phrase, most unfortunate for the man in whose behalf it was used, but most valuable to the City which it aroused from apathy to action, that the interest of the election of Tuesday was lodged.

If the inhabitants of this metropolis could be thus brow-beaten out of the highest duty which can devolve upon the electors of a free people, it was clear that popular government, in New-York at least, was a failure, equally disgraceful and disastrous. If no investigation of the moral value of our rulers is to be permitted to us—if we are to accept in servile silence any candidate who may succeed in managing a nomination for himself at a party caucus, and confer upon him the supreme control of our municipal interests, and of our delegated authority, making him the manager of our revenues, and the arbiter, to a very considerable extent, of the public order, then it is difficult to see in what respect we enjoy any practical advantage over the citizens of towns whose governors are appointed by the *fiat* of Kings, or born "to the manor" of municipal sovereignty. That these assumptions of the faction by which Mr. WOOD was supported were rebuked at the polls, is matter, then, of serious satisfaction to all the friends of liberty and of law; although it is useless to conceal the fact that the closeness of the vote by which such a contest was settled, leaves room for much regret and for some anxiety, in the midst of our triumph. However, it is enough, perhaps, that we have been stung into something like an assertion of those principles which alone can guarantee the continued order and prosperity of the community.

For nothing can be more certain than that the shameless abdication by the late Mayor and his friends of all regard to public opinion and public obligations in the prosecution of political and partisan ends, was beginning to bear its legitimate fruits in an alarming increase of recklessness and audacity among the idle and vicious portions of our population. The thief who was arrested in Houston-street on Tuesday, in flagrant delict, and who on being questioned by the magistrate as to his "occupation," replied, "FERNANDO WOOD's my business to-day," was but the mouth-piece of a vast fraternity of scamps, ragamuffins, cut-throats and burglars, who believed that the votes of Tuesday were to decide the preponderance in this City of the law-despising over the law-respecting portions of the population, and that FERNANDO WOOD was the champion of license and misrule. It is not necessary to do Mr. WOOD the injustice of supposing that he really tried to disseminate this notion. We have no reason to suppose, and no one has a right to affirm, that Mr. WOOD *wished* this City to be given up to riot and disorder; or that he advocated impunity to crime. But he *did* wish the continuance of his own power, *at whatever cost* to the public welfare, and he *did* advocate an utter subordination of all municipal business, and of all municipal interests, to the business and to the interests of party. And it was but natural, therefore, that the ruffians and rascals of the City should take courage from his example to believe that, if they did their *devoir* as "Democrats," at Tammany and the polls, they might hope for a general "indulgence" for their private peccadilloes and their personal *peculats*. The defeat of Mr. WOOD is, therefore, a moral victory over the "dangerous classes" of New-York. It is the assertion of the endangered *prestige* of the decent and the orderly among our citizens over the thieves of Mackerelville and the Sixth Ward, with all their outlying friends and relations. And in this aspect of the case it is a great good won, and an argument of renewed courage in the right direction. More than this it is not. For there is a vast work still to be done, if we would secure, to the position which we have won for the law and the respectability of New-York.

Having chosen an honest Mayor, we must surround him with honest assistance and stimulate him to honest reforms in the administration of the City. Having proved beyond a doubt that the streets of New-York can be guarded, and that order can be preserved in them by the simple force of the civil police, we are to see to it that this branch of the public service be not suffered to relapse from the promising condition which it attained on Tuesday last. We can hardly wish to go to the expense and trouble of a Municipal Election on every day of the year because we have learned that on the day of a Municipal Election the city can be kept thoroughly in order, and we must be particularly careful to remember that the victory we have just won is one of those of which the value is altogether dependent upon the subsequent steps which the victors shall take. It is a Talavera, not a Waterloo; the beginning of the end, and by no means the end itself.

Our Spare Produce.

Considering that we are a nation of the heartiest eaters in the world, and that we have the reputation of wasting nearly as much of the necessaries of life as we consume, it must be conceded that we contribute an enormous excess of our spare produce to the support of the other nations of the earth. The report of the Secretary of the Treasury for 1857, reveals some startling facts in relation to our export trade, which show not only the extent of our industrial labors, but also their beneficial results; for, unlike most of the nations with which we have commercial relations, nearly all the articles we send abroad are the prime necessaries of life, and not the refined elegancies which minister to voluptuous or vitiated tastes; we have, in fact, but one article of luxury which we supply to the rest of the world. Tobacco is our only commodity which the world could afford to dispense with; and even this one article of luxury makes but a very small item in the grand total of the produce which we annually export. The amount of our exports of produce for the year ending on the 30th of June last was nearly $279,000,000, of which $20,000,000 only consisted of tobacco. All the remaining articles consisted of our great agricultural staples, which went to clothe and feed the people of other countries. The largest item in the list of our exports is, of course, cotton, the amount being $131,575,859. After this great staple come wheat and flour, which amount to $48,000,000. But corn makes a small figure in our table of exports, the Europeans who depend upon us for bread not having yet learned the art of cooking that nutritious vegetable. Our exports of Indian corn and meal amounted to but $6,000,000; of rice we exported but $2,200,400. We are not a potato-exporting nation, yet we spared from our abundance last year, to the value of $135,280, and of onions, $77,060; and, notwithstanding the scarcity of apples we are able to send to foreign markets pippins to the amount of $135,280. Of biscuits we exported $568,288; and of rye, oats, and other small grains, including white beans and dried peas, $800,000; while of salted and dried meats, butter and lard, to serve as a relish for all this bread, we exported to the value of $15,786,458. There was also a small quantity of our national distillation which went abroad with this enormous quantity of food, not, however, "to wash it down," for the greater part of our exported whisky doubtless came back to us as imported brandy; our liquors are included under the general head of manufactured articles, which make up the respectable sum of $33,000,000. In round numbers we exported $75,000,000 worth of food last year. But our exports were not confined solely to agricultural products; we extracted from the sea, in the shape of fish and oil, after supplying our own wants, a surplus of $3,739,644, while our forests yielded in timber and bark no less than $14,699,711, towards the grand total of our exported produce.

All this amount of surplus produce, though it came from every part of the Union, was shipped from a very small number of ports, New-Orleans ranking first in the list, and New-York second. The amount of produce shipped from the great city of the South was $98,528,000, while from New-York it was but $74,638,988. Mobile ranks after New-York, and then come Charleston, Baltimore, Boston, Philadelphia, and Richmond. Among our foreign customers, Great Britain is greatly ahead of them all; she takes more than half of all our cotton, and the greater part of our breadstuffs and provisions, and more than one-fourth of all the tobacco we export. Our next best customer for tobacco is the free City of Bremen, which takes a larger quantity than Great Britain, but of an inferior quality, and of less value. The lovers of a "genuine Havanna" will, perhaps, be startled to learn that our best customer for tobacco, after Bremen, is Cuba, which takes nearly double the quantity consumed by France. But this will not be regarded as exorbitant when it is remembered that the Queen of the Antilles has to supply all the world with Havana cigars.

A glance over the tables presented in the Treasury report, will give an American an increased feeling of pride in the immense resources of his country, and will tend to remove any fallacious apprehensions that we are running hopelessly in debt to foreign nations, and especially to Great Britain. The grand total of our imports was but $360,900,141, while our exports, including gold, amounted to $362,949,144, leaving a considerable balance in our favor.

The results of our trade with Great Britain will doubtless surprise many persons who imagine that because we export so much bullion to England, we must be heavily indebted to her. The Treasury Report shows that while we sold to Great Britain produce to the amount of $184,416,549, we purchased from her and her Colonies goods to the amount of but $151,602,067.

The two customers that purchase the smallest amount of produce from us, in proportion to what we purchase from them, are Spain and Brazil. From Spain and her colonies we bought last year [illegible], while they purchased of us but [illegible]. The disproportion of our trade with Brazil [illegible] from New-York [illegible], while we sold her [illegible]. The balance of our trade with Spain [illegible] pure, the position which we have won for the law and the respectability of New-York.

Having chosen an honest Mayor, we must surround him with honest assistance and stimulate him to honest reforms in the administration of the City. Having proved beyond a doubt that the streets of New-York can be guarded, and that order can be preserved in them by the simple force of the civil police, we are to see to it that this branch of the public service be not suffered to relapse from the promising condition which it attained on Tuesday last. We can hardly wish to go to the expense and trouble of a Municipal Election on every day of the year because we have learned that on the day of a Municipal Election the city can be kept thoroughly in order, and we must be particularly careful to remember that the victory we have just won is one of those of which the value is altogether dependent upon the subsequent steps which the victors shall take. It is a Talavera, not a Waterloo; the beginning of the end, and by no means the end itself.

THE ELECTION AND THE DEMOCRACY.—The *Daily News* is determined to be unhappy. Although one of the stanchest of Democrats has just been elected Mayor, it still announces in a lugubrious paragraph, that the "Democracy is defeated." It evidently regards Mayor WOOD as the only Simon-Pure Democrat in the City, and discards all political fellowship with the thousands of its own party whom not all the rigors of party discipline could coerce into placing a corrupt and dishonest man at the head of our City Government.

The *News* has not sagacity enough to conceal the real motive which induces it to take this excessively lachrymose view of the Election;—it says:

"Democrats were despondent, but the general expression was more in *anger* than in *sorrow*—against the traitors who had turned against us in our hour of peril. It was generally conceded that the Democratic Party had been defeated by *federal office-holders and their employees in this City*; and the determination was generally expressed to *purify* the party and exile the traitors from Tammany Hall forever."

The *News* is anxious to "purify the party" by expelling from it every man who would not vote for FERNANDO WOOD. If this is not playing into the hands of the "Black Republicans," we should like to know what would be. According to this programme, nearly every federal office-holder in the City is to be instantly removed, and their places supplied by the brethren who have done battle on Mr. WOOD's behalf. We are curious to see this performance commence. When President BUCHANAN finds that he has nothing better to do than to enter upon such a process of uniting and consolidating the Democratic Party in this City, he may undertake it: but just at present, we presume, he will employ his time quite as usefully in other matters.

THE KANSAS CITY VOTE.—We learn from good authority that there have been at least *ten thousand* persons naturalized in the Superior Court and Court of Common Pleas within the last year; and of this number, at least *six thousand* are now residents of the City, and voted at the election on Tuesday. The aggregate vote at the last Mayoralty election was 77,261, against 84,963 now, showing an increase of only 6,702 votes. It is not necessary, therefore, to assume that there was much more illegal voting than usual, in order to account for the increased vote; the increase of naturalized voters,—and the fact that many persons who have hitherto seldom taken any interest in our political contests, voted on Tuesday, will account for the whole increase in the vote over that of last year.

The House and School of Industry.

To help the poor to help themselves is the root of all profitable charity, and, while every institution which serves the public by positive munificence deserves the encouragement of good citizens, those are particularly worthy of aid and comfort which tend to sustain the struggler as well as to console the prostration of the needy and the suffering.

Such an establishment is the now prosperous House and School of Industry, at No. 100 West Sixteenth-street. This enterprise originated in the benevolent idea of first educating the women and children of the poor to work suitable to their years and their strength, and then providing them with such work for their support. At the House poor women are received, and instructed in all kinds of sewing and embroidery; female children of every age are taught reading, writing, and the various elementary employments proper to their sex; while to all a comfortable shelter is given, and every day a wholesome meal served to all the youngest among them. So far the House resembles many a quiet institution of Christian charity, founded in the "ages of faith." But its offices are not limited to this steady almonry of education. The House makes itself also an agency for communicating with the world outside which has work to be done and is willing to pay for it. An extensive establishment for dressmaking and a well-organized laundry are connected with it, and those who would gladly be useful to their impoverished fellow-citizens in this hour of general distress cannot do a better thing than to investigate the claims of the House of Industry as an efficient, economical and judiciously-managed organization of the else unemployed labor of the female poor. There is nothing temporary in the objects of those who conduct it, and nothing purely eleemosynary in the assistance which they invite the public to render them. They deal with a chronic disorder of the community, and those can aid them best who will cooperate with them by employing with positive profit to themselves the labor which the House is always ready to provide.

Voting Population of New-York City.

The following table compiled from the State census of 1855 shows the total population, with the number of voters,—native and naturalized,—then in the City:

Wards.	Total Population.	Native.	Naturalized.
1	13,486	5,70[illegible]	1,435
2	3,249	[illegible]	200
3	7,903	[illegible]	804
4	22,000	[illegible]	3,459
5	21,617	1,052	1,471
6	21,597	650	2,753
7	24,422	2,167	2,348
8	24,062	2,097	1,946
9	29,928	3,186	1,976
10	26,378	2,196	1,476
11	52,279	2,165	4,612
12	17,[illegible]	[illegible]	767
13	26,597	1,139	1,[illegible]
14	24,754	1,346	1,654
15	24,046	1,[illegible]	1,359
16	30,[illegible]	[illegible]	3,170
17	29,448	[illegible]	[illegible]
18	29,500	2,778	1,345
19	17,[illegible]	1,[illegible]	1,460
20	47,[illegible]	2,337	3,645
21	27,[illegible]	1,[illegible]	1,[illegible]
22	32,[illegible]	1,161	1,[illegible]
Total	629,[illegible]	34,179	48,704
Total voters		[illegible]	

PECUNIARY CONDITION OF THE LEGISLATURE.—Another abortive attempt to launch the Legislature was made on the 19th of last month, but the operator was not success[illegible]. It was not expected that the vessel [illegible] fully launched, the engineer intending only to move her some forty feet across the river, but a mass she could not be moved at all. The Albany *Times* has intimated that she lies in an extremely precarious position, and it was feared that the ways on which she rested would freeze in solid from the extreme cold weather, and prevent a work longer without [illegible] work. When the tide [illegible] Great Barrington was built, it was discovered that she was too large to be floated through the gorge of the [illegible] in which she was constructed. In that case, all that was necessary to be done was to [illegible]

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[illegible] where the fall occurred. A few [illegible] Fortunately, they had all [illegible] accident must have been [illegible] was owned [illegible] was not done, with a [illegible] was estimated at $20,000. [illegible] The walls still [illegible] the secure only being broken. It is said that [illegible] were of unusually strong [illegible] sufficiently stout. The Coroner will hold an [illegible]

[illegible] THE MAIL ROBBER.

[illegible] of Mr. [illegible]—Sharp Practice. [illegible] The New-Haven Register gives full particulars [illegible] TUCKERMAN:

A most important arrest took place in this city on Tuesday evening, for extensive mail robberies committed within a few weeks past. These robberies [illegible] the entire letter mail on several occasions, [illegible] to Philadelphia, New-Orleans and other [illegible] Boston, at least one mail from Boston for New-York, and several others of less importance. [illegible] of the Post-Office Department, it seems, [illegible] on the alert to ascertain where [illegible] the management of the case having been [illegible] in the hands of Mr. HOLBROOK, one of the [illegible] special agents. It soon appeared that the missing mails were chiefly those which go by the Railroad route between New-York and Boston, on the Sunday night [illegible] After a good deal of watching and careful investigation, it was believed that Springfield was the place of the robbery, [illegible] Mr. CHARLES COLLINS, Post-Office Inspector, was stationed at Springfield, with a [illegible] to arrest any person who should be found [illegible] the mail-car from New-York and Boston meet there. [illegible] Mr. COLLINS, on the arrival of the train from the East, [illegible] TUCKERMAN [illegible] the car and [illegible] the door opened, [illegible] twenty-seven [illegible] to light a cigar, already [illegible] ready to see if all was [illegible] from the aforesaid [illegible] which had the advantage of the lucifer match adjoining, [illegible] the latter would have [illegible] something was done speedily, [illegible] himself and companion [illegible] just emerging into the baggage-room, [illegible] his assistant, [illegible] TUCKERMAN [illegible] to handing out [illegible] was accomplished, and [illegible] the watchers [illegible] Give me a light, if you please," [illegible] the request mail robber, who stepped [illegible] was promptly granted, and both were [illegible] equally in the dark! Presently [illegible] to make, and the stranger [illegible] was in motion. To [illegible] ordinary passengers, the [illegible] joined by Mr. CHARLES, Postmaster [illegible] to continue on the train, because [illegible] had been waylaid [illegible] however, for the New-York train [illegible] from Boston officers were going East [illegible] this discovery, that the [illegible] were in no way improved [illegible] could now be safely [illegible] the stranger could be [illegible] the description answered [illegible] man, and frequently passed [illegible] with too much success, [illegible] conductor [illegible] particularly those on the Sunday [illegible] however, as [illegible] his frequent passage [illegible] has been made the subject [illegible] further exertions resulted [illegible] quality of the [illegible] was set upon all his [illegible] preparation made for his detention [illegible] the robbery.

[illegible] Sunday [illegible] seventh [illegible] the baggage or mail-car, [illegible] without [illegible] this occasion, as [illegible] baggage of the [illegible] large trunk, [illegible] declined to have marked for any particular [illegible] that if he were a gentleman of Springfield [illegible] return to New-York that night. "All right," says the baggage-master, and the aforesaid trunk was placed by [illegible] where it could readily be controlled by the [illegible] appeared in [illegible] where he was purposely left alone [illegible] while "mooding up," and the opportunity was improved by transferring the New-Orleans [illegible] from the proper place to the trunk [illegible] subsequently [illegible] of the conductor, and being left alone for a moment while the hands were "breaking up," he as dexterously removed the same from the trunk back to their forbidden [illegible]

The rest of the story may be told in few words. At the depot in Springfield, Mr. [illegible] was met from his close [illegible] by the author of all these bold mail robberies. [illegible] and in his valise were found the [illegible] evidences that no mistake had been made in the man, and he was soon after committed to jail.

The trunk referred to, and its fixtures, bear the strongest proofs of having been prepared for the illegal purposes to which it was put on this occasion, having a peculiar lock to admit of its being opened without the [illegible] of the lid. A quantity was found inside containing [illegible] the lightness of the [illegible] point, and heaviness at another, after [illegible] the mails, should attract attention and lead [illegible]

[illegible] and gentlemanly demeanor, and very respectable appearance, had prevented any suspicions [illegible] the minds, as to the object of his unusual civilities and familiarity—and his fondness for smoking and liberal distribution of the best quality of cigars had furnished the pretext and paved the way for often [illegible] in the baggage-car. It is hoped that the lesson taught in this instance, of the risk and impropriety of allowing strangers in the cars provided for mails and baggage, will not be lost upon the managers and employés of New-England and other railroads.

The prisoner was informally brought before United States Commissioner C. B. INGERSOLL yesterday, and [illegible] Mr. Bolles. His examination has not [illegible]

Tuckerman is about 25 years of age, and he was formerly Treasurer of the Boston and Maine Railroad Company. He has an estimable wife residing in New-York.

Additional Particulars.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

NEW-HAVEN, Wednesday, Dec. 2, 1857.

TUCKERMAN, who was arrested on Sunday night by Mr. [illegible], on the New-Haven cars, while in the act of committing a robbery on the mails, was, as you are doubtless aware, on a complaint filed by W. B. Bolles, Esq., the U. S. District-Attorney of Connecticut, brought before Mr. INGERSOLL, U. S. Commissioner, on Monday afternoon, whence the further hearing was postponed, because of his counsel's absence, till Tuesday, at 2 o'clock P. M. From Tuesday, a second adjournment took place till to-day, Mr. BOLLES, his counsel, having arrived from Boston in the interval. To-day again, in pursuance of an arrangement between the prosecuting officer and the prisoner's counsel, rendered necessary by their previous engagements, another adjournment occurred. In default of $20,000 bail the prisoner was sent to the County Jail, where he now lies. His wife, an amiable and interesting lady, to whom no complicity in his guilt has been attributed, visited New-Haven to-day to see him, and left this afternoon for her residence in New-York. Though it may ultimately appear that he was aided by accomplices, no evidence to that effect has yet been elicited.

I am indebted to Mr. HOLBROOK, the efficient mail-agent through whose exertions the robbery was detected, for some additional items of TUCKERMAN'S mail-robberies during the last few months. It is now ascertained beyond question, that from August last he had been engaged in a systematized plan of mail-robbery on the New-York and Boston line. The earliest fact connected with these remarkable manœuvres occurs in the latter part of August. The mail-pouch made up at New-York for Brattleboro', Vt., was, on the 31st of August, found cut open and rifled near Springfield, Mass. On the same evening it was ascertained that a stranger had hired a horse and buggy at Chicopee, about 10 miles from Springfield, drove to the last-named town and back. Next morning the horse returned to its owner, without carriage or harness. Search was immediately made for the latter, and by dint of careful inquiry and examination the carriage was found in a pasture near by where the rifled mail-bag had been discovered, and in the bottom of it were found sundry fragments of letter envelopes, &c., proving conclusively that the person who had hired the horse and buggy was the robber. The description of the individual [illegible] with a [illegible] accuracy of detail [illegible] TUCKERMAN [illegible] to have served to direct [illegible] with the [illegible] appearance of [illegible] TUCKERMAN. Within a week of the time when that [illegible] occurred two more mails from Troy to New-York were [illegible] have passed through Springfield. It now appears that TUCKERMAN was in the habit of passing frequently to and fro on the New-York and Boston and Albany and Boston Roads—the former especially. It was his custom, even at that time, fortunately for the public, to ingratiate himself with the railroad hands on the cars, by a lavish distribution of excellent cigars. In this way, aided by a most respectable appearance and winning address, he procured a perfect *carte blanche* to the way of admission to the baggage cars, where he was generally to be found. It is only, however, since the 25th of October that the most serious losses have occurred, and there is little reason to suppose that in any of these cases the perpetrator was other than himself. The aggregate of available funds thus abstracted by him is not positively known, but of notes, drafts, &c., the amount is ascertained to have been immense—hundreds of thousands of dollars. The latter, there is little doubt, have been nearly all destroyed. Such, at least, is his admission, though a carpet bag of his has been found containing notes to a considerable amount. At least $1,000 worth of postage stamps were in the stolen Philadelphia mails. These he offered to return to Mr. HOLBROOK. His depredations among the letters destined for Europe were very great—and this doubtless account for the failure of many European houses to receive their remittances by the November steamers from Boston. It is well known that a whole trunkful of stolen letters were burned by him in New-York. Of the circumstance attending the discovery of these losses and his subsequent detention, little remains to be told. The robberies were generally committed at various points between Boston and New-York, and, of course, at the most opportune moments, when the baggage-masters and conductors were engaged outside at the stopping places, or otherwise employed out of the baggage-room. They were effected by transferring the mails to a trunk which TUCKERMAN usually placed on the train without any specific destination. He was always precise in prevailing on the baggage-masters to place it on the top, so as to be more readily accessible when the chance for a haul presented itself. It opened without a key, by simple pressure on a secret spring. Within this trunk he placed a small valise containing weights, and tightly packed with books, so as to prevent the weights from rolling about. The weights were obviously designed to divert the suspicion which would naturally be excited by a gentleman with an empty trunk bound for no particular point. The *modus operandi* was ingenious. The moment a chance offered, the large trunk was opened in a twinkling, the valise removed, a mail bag thrust in its place, the trunk shut down, and Mr. TUCKERMAN, with a smiling countenance, presents one of his fragrant Havanas to the baggage-master just entering the car. As an instance of his readiness to accommodate himself to the circumstances and of his admirably concocted plan of diverting attention from himself, it may be stated that with FRENCH, the Conductor of the train on which he was arrested on Sunday night, he assumed to hold terms of family intimacy. He visited FRENCH'S residence in New-York generally after a robbery had been committed, for the purpose, doubtless, of gathering from FRENCH whether any depredation had been discovered, and thus make use of the information he might obtain to escape apprehension or destroy suspicion. With the details of his final arrest on Sunday night the public are familiar. If he be convicted, the punishment for each offence will be imprisonment at hard labor for not less than two nor more than ten years. Of his acquittal not the slightest hope is entertained, because the prosecuting officer has in his possession proofs which, entirely irrespective of any admissions the prisoner himself may have made, are regarded as utterly irrefragable. Nor is acquittal the fashion in Connecticut. Within the last three years five mail and post-office depredators have been convicted in this State, one of whom recently died in prison; the other four are still suffering imprisonment under sentences of from two to twenty-seven years. The Connecticut people, however, being somewhat chary of their reputation, beg most emphatically to have it understood that of the malefactors only two are natives.

The only hope for TUCKERMAN, they say, is in being sent for trial to New-York.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

NEW-HAVEN, Wednesday, Dec. 2.

The time for the examination of TUCKERMAN has not yet been fixed, and it will not probably take place before next week. Mr. BOLLES, TUCKERMAN'S counsel, was here yesterday, and returned home last evening.

Post-Office Robbery in Ohio.

A young man, residing at Hamilton, O., named JOHN B. BROWN, was arrested on Saturday, on a charge of embezzling from the Post Office a valuable letter. The circumstances which led to his arrest are about as follows:

About the 24th inst., THOMAS MILLIGAN deposited in the Hamilton Post-Office a letter addressed to ACTON & WOODRUF, of this city, merchants, No. 103 Pearl-street, inclosing a draft for $200, payable to the order of the firm. The draft did not come to hand, but a day after, a young man named ABRAM MYERS, clerk for MACY & WOODS, No. 101 Main-street, presented the draft for payment at the banking-house of GROESBECK & CO., on Third-street, with the names of ACTON & WOODRUF scratched off. The money was paid, and subsequently forwarded to BROWN by the hands of a Mr. SEWARD, by MYERS. The latter, in explaining his agency in the matter, says he received the draft in a letter from Hamilton, signed D. W. GARDY, the name of a very respectable farmer in the neighborhood, with directions to forward the avails to Mr. BROWN. Mr. G. pronounced the letter a forgery, as it undoubtedly was. BROWN had already been arrested under the State laws, for forgery, in erasing the names from the draft and writing the letter signed D. W. GARDY, when taken by the Marshal for embezzlement from the mails.

The accused acknowledged the possession of the money, a part of which he had used, but claims that he had no agency in the embezzling of the draft or its negotiation; that the money was sent to him without his knowing why. After his arrest he refunded the $200. BROWN has heretofore stood very fair in the community, was engaged in teaching at Hamilton and pursuing the study of medicine with his father-in-law, Dr. S. H. POTTER, of that place. On being brought to the city, he was taken before Commissioner NEWHALL, who fixed the bail at $1,500 for his appearance to-morrow for examination, which not being procured, BROWN was committed to jail by Deputy Marshal MARSON. Later in the evening, friends at Hamilton telegraphed the marshal that they would furnish the bail, and the accused will probably be liberated this morning. The case is a very complicated one, and no little interest is felt in the result.—*Cin. Gazette*

Sea and Ship News.

MONTEVIDEO, Saturday, Oct. 3, 1857.

The bark *Redmond*, of and from Boston, with a cargo of flour, &c., bound to Buenos Ayres, grounded on the English Bank Shoal on the 27th ult., and when striking very heavily, her masts were all cut away; and on the 29th all hands abandoned her. The French steamer *Bisson*, on the 29th got under way, and proceeded to the bark, and having arrived in the vicinity of the wreck, discovered her about 7 miles to the eastward of the Archimedes Bank, having floated off the shoal. On nearing the wreck they found her in possession of some persons from the City. The steamer took her in tow, and at 5 P. M., same day, brought her to an anchor in the harbor, with the whole of her cargo on board, which is supposed to be all in good order. She leaks considerably; her rudder is carried away, and her stern frame is much shattered.

The bark *Gipsey*, from Baltimore, is at anchor some 20 miles to the eastward of this port, dismasted. Application having been made to the French Commander a steamer has been ordered to her assistance. —(*By Letter to Elwood Walter, Esq., Secretary of Board of Underwriters.*)

TYPHOON IN THE CHINA SEA—AMERICAN SHIPS AT HONG KONG.

HONG KONG, Wednesday, Sept. 23, 1857.

Elwood Walter, Esq., Secretary of the Board of Underwriters:

DEAR SIR: I wrote you last mail mentioning the disaster to the ship *North Wind*, of your port, since which she has completed the discharge of her cargo. A large portion is damaged, but it will take some time to give it the examination which will be required. This will be done by those experienced in Teas. We have had notice of a severe typhoon on the coast North from this, but as yet have had no accounts of any severe disasters at sea, although several vessels had recently left Foochou and Shanghae. From the first, *Samuel Russell* and *Celestial* among the number. The gale happened on the 3d inst., and we have dates from Foochou to the 10th, and from Shanghae to the 12th. So, I trust, I shall have no disasters to record next mail. It is now blowing a regular equinoctial gale from the East, and for the next two months we look for a continuance of heavy weather. The *Howeas* and *Surprise* have arrived since my last. I inclose you slips from our local papers giving an account of the weather on the coast, and remain,

Yours very truly, [illegible]

THE FANNY WHITTIER RUN DOWN AT SEA.

PERNAMBUCO, Wednesday, Oct. 21, 1857.

Mr. ELWOOD WALTER, Secretary, &c.—*Sir*: This will inform you that the brig *Fanny Whittier*, of Boston, from New-York bound to Buenos Ayres, when about 30 miles to the eastward of this port, at 2 A. M. on the 16th inst., was run into by a large ship unknown, striking us abeam the fore rigging, carrying away all my fore rigging, iron work, &c., splitting mainsail, foresail, mainsail boom, broke lower trusstree and carrying head of foremast. The brig was so badly stripped that I put every thing for this port [illegible] for which I am discharging now [illegible] I hope to sail in about 10 days. Your obedient servant, [illegible] GAGE.

Police Intelligence.

ROBBERS AT AN ELECTION.—About half past 2 o'clock, yesterday morning, a little before the close of the polls, in the Eleventh District of the Eleventh Ward, during which time was shot, and an officer stabbed. Inspector Squires, of the Eleventh Ward, made the following report of the occurrence to Deputy Superintendent Carpenter:

"While desperadoes broke into the polt room of the *Eighth District* about ½ o'clock this morning before the canvass was closed, and commenced a fight by knocking down Dr. Dimon and jumping on him. Officer Miller interfered to save Dimon, and finally succeeded in rescuing him, when the assailants ran into a hedge and instantly came out armed with a gun and a large knife, and made a furious onslaught on the officers, who rapped for help, and officers Hawks and Van Tassel soon came to their aid. Notwithstanding the officers had been obliged to let their clubs [illegible], it only seemed to exasperate the ruffians, and they no sooner saw the other officers arrive, than one of them levelled a gun at another of the officers, which missed fire, fortunately, and before he could pull the trigger again, he was knocked down by officer Duffy, when the outlaw who had stabbed Hawks, left him and made a rush at the other officers with knife drawn and reeking with blood.

At this moment officer Van Tassel seeing that there was no other alternative drew his revolver and shot Pat Vaughan, (the man with the knife,) but he still continued his assault when a second shot was discharged which brought him down, and thus beyond doubt saved the life of both officers, Miller and Duffy. Vaughan is badly wounded and was sent to the New-York Hospital after examination by Dr. Kimbark. John Canady, another of the desperadoes, was secured and sent to the Police Court, and the third of the attacking party made his escape, but the officers know him and he will undoubtedly be taken. Great credit is due to the officers, for their firmness and intrepidity in this desperate affray. Officer Hawks is badly but not fatally injured. Dr. Kimbark dressed his wounds."

Canady was taken yesterday before Justice DAVISON and committed for examination. The officers are on the track of the third assailant and expect speedily to arrest him.

DARING HIGHWAY ROBBERY.—As Mr. James J. Morrison, of No. 115 West Twenty-second-street, was standing, Tuesday evening, in front of his residence, an Irish weaver named Hugh Hughes attacked him suddenly, knocked him down, snatched his gold watch and chain (valued at $375) from his pocket, and then fled. Mr. Morrison, fortunately, was not so injured but that he was able to jump up instantly and start in pursuit of his assailant. He succeeded in having Hughes arrested, and yesterday had him taken before Justice DAVISON, who locked him up, in default of $5,000 bail, to answer a charge of highway robbery.

EXAMINATION OF ILLEGAL VOTERS.—Justice BRENNAN yesterday fully committed for trial the following persons charged with illegal voting at the late election. John Davis for voting in the Seventh Ward. Thos. King and Wm. Glover, for voting in the Tenth Ward and Geo. Reist for voting in the Seventeenth Ward. The following persons are yet to be examined: Wm. Scriver, charged with voting illegally in the Tenth Ward; Patrick Hagan, E. G. Donohue, charged with voting illegally in the Fourteenth Ward, and James J. Weatherspoon and Thomas Milligan, charged with voting illegally in the Seventeenth Ward. Examinations in the case of four arrests in the Sixth Ward for illegally voting, and two in the Fourth and Eighth Wards have been also deferred.

BOLD ROBBERY.—About 8 o'clock Tuesday evening, Robert Harrison, a fellow who but a few days since was released from Blackwell's Island, boldly thrust his hand through a pane of glass of the show window of the jewelry store of John M. Friedlander, No. 254 Bowery, and seized two gold watches and three gold studs valued at $113, with which he ran off. Mr. Friedlander saw him and started after him, and after a chase of several blocks succeeded in overtaking him and recovering his property. He handed the audacious robber over to a Policeman, and yesterday Justice BRENNAN committed him for trial.

ARREST OF A BURGLAR.—About 1 o'clock yesterday morning, a sailor giving his name as Joseph Gardner was seen by a policeman leaving the grocery store of John D. Runn, No. 221 Ninth-avenue, having a large bundle in his possession. The policeman arrested him, and found that the bundle contained groceries which he had stolen from the grocery store. Having [illegible] broken into it. The accused was locked up for trial.

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"While desperadoes broke into the polt room of the *Eighth District* about ½ o'clock this morning before the canvass was closed, and commenced a fight by knocking down Dr. Dimon and jumping on him. Officer Miller interfered to save Dimon, and finally succeeded in rescuing him, when the assailants ran into a hedge and instantly came out armed with a gun and a large knife, and made a furious onslaught on the officers, who rapped for help, and officers Hawks and Van Tassel soon came to their aid. Notwithstanding the officers had been obliged to let their clubs [illegible], it only seemed to exasperate the ruffians, and they no sooner saw the other officers arrive, than one of them levelled a gun at another of the officers, which missed fire, fortunately, and before he could pull the trigger again, he was knocked down by officer Duffy, when the outlaw who had stabbed Hawks, left him and made a rush at the other officers with knife drawn and reeking with blood.

At this moment officer Van Tassel seeing that there was no other alternative drew his revolver and shot Pat Vaughan, (the man with the knife,) but he still continued his assault when a second shot was discharged which brought him down, and thus beyond doubt saved the life of both officers, Miller and Duffy. Vaughan is badly wounded and was sent to the New-York Hospital after examination by Dr. Kimbark. John Canady, another of the desperadoes, was secured and sent to the Police Court, and the third of the attacking party made his escape, but the officers know him and he will undoubtedly be taken. Great credit is due to the officers, for their firmness and intrepidity in this desperate affray. Officer Hawks is badly but not fatally injured. Dr. Kimbark dressed his wounds."

Canady was taken yesterday before Justice DAVISON and committed for examination. The officers are on the track of the third assailant and expect speedily to arrest him.

DARING HIGHWAY ROBBERY.—As Mr. James J. Morrison, of No. 115 West Twenty-second-street, was standing, Tuesday evening, in front of his residence, an Irish weaver named Hugh Hughes attacked him suddenly, knocked him down, snatched his gold watch and chain (valued at $375) from his pocket, and then fled. Mr. Morrison, fortunately, was not so injured but that he was able to jump up instantly and start in pursuit of his assailant. He succeeded in having Hughes arrested, and yesterday had him taken before Justice DAVISON, who locked him up, in default of $5,000 bail, to answer a charge of highway robbery.

EXAMINATION OF ILLEGAL VOTERS.—Justice BRENNAN yesterday fully committed for trial the following persons charged with illegal voting at the late election. John Davis for voting in the Seventh Ward. Thos. King and Wm. Glover, for voting in the Tenth Ward and Geo. Reist for voting in the Seventeenth Ward. The following persons are yet to be examined: Wm. Scriver, charged with voting illegally in the Tenth Ward; Patrick Hagan, E. G. Donohue, charged with voting illegally in the Fourteenth Ward, and James J. Weatherspoon and Thomas Milligan, charged with voting illegally in the Seventeenth Ward. Examinations in the case of four arrests in the Sixth Ward for illegally voting, and two in the Fourth and Eighth Wards have been also deferred.

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CLOTHING AT REDUCED PRICES FOR CASH.
ALFRED HUNTER & CO.,
No. [illegible] BROADWAY, between Canal and Grand sts., Have marked down, and continue to sell from their splendid stock of
MEN'S AND BOYS' CLOTHING,
At a reduction of 20 to 25 per cent. for cash.

RICH CARPETING—GREAT REDUCTION OF PRICES—SMITH & LOUNSBERY, No. 448 Broadway, near Grand-st., are now offering their large stock of VELVET, TAPESTRY, BRUSSELS, THREE-PLY and INGRAIN CARPETINGS, of this FALL'S IMPORTATION, at a great reduction from former prices.

DEPOSITORY STOCK OF WEED'S FIRE AT RETAIL.—Black and Fancy Silk Ties, once around, 25 cents; twice around, 50 cents; usual prices 75 cents and $1 00.
Napoleon Ties, Stocks and Scarfs, equally low.
SMITH & BROUWER, No. 49 Bowery, upstairs.

BOOTS, SHOES AND OVERSHOES, GOLOS WITH BOOTS AND SHOES, AT LESS THAN WHOLESALE PRICES, E. A. BROOKS, No. 378 Broadway, and No. 120 Fulton-st.

PROF. ALEX. G. BARRY'S TRICOPHEROUS
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S. C. HERRING & CO.'S PATENT CHAMPION SAFES.—The subscribers, grateful for past favors, and desiring that a discriminating public were bestowing their patronage to that extent that would warrant them in necessary to exhibit all their stock, have enlarged their depôt, by opening an extensive warehouse and salesroom on Broadway, at No. 251, corner of Murray-st., opposite the City Hall. This enlargement of warehouse room, with the recent extensive enlargement of their factory, will enable the subscribers to keep on hand at all times a larger stock of fire and burglar-proof safes than any other establishment in the world. Particular attention will be had to constructing safes for private families to match with other furniture, for the security of plate and jewelry, (and houses, safes are invited to call and examine for themselves.) Also, will keep on hand and make to order, all kinds of money chests, bank locks, and vault doors. Hall's patent powder-proof locks for banks or store doors, Jones' patent permutation bank lock, and Gruyler's patent letter lock, without key.
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WAUPUN, Wis., Aug. 24, 1857.
Mr. LAURENS BOSWELL, Milwaukee,
Agent for Herring & Co.'s Patent Safes:
DEAR SIR: The Herring Champion Safe that I purchased of you, was in my store at the time it was burned last March. The heat was so great that it melted off the brass plates and knob on the front of the safe. The door was warped so badly from it, that I was obliged to cut it open. But I am happy to say to you, the contents of the safe were preserved to my *perfect satisfaction*.
Y. G. SNOW.

FURS! FURS!!—SELLING OFF LADIES' FURS.—SANTA, corner of Canal and Wooster sts., has reduced the prices on his entire stock of Furs, manufactured expressly for his City trade, embracing a splendid lot of mink, Hudson Bay sable, marten and Siberian Furs. Also, children's Capes, Victorines, Muffs and Cuffs, in sets, &c.

MARRIED

AITKEN—TEITE.—At Trenton, N. J., on Tuesday evening, Dec. 1, at the Presbyterian Lutheran Trinity Church, by Rev. A. F. Gerhardt, Esq., JAMES S. AITKEN, of Salem, N. J., to MARY HEMPHILL B., elder daughter of Charles J. Teite, Esq.

DIED.

BERRY.—In this City, on Tuesday, Dec. 1, JOHN BERRY, in the 60th year of his age.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, from his late residence, No. 17 Bedford-st., this day, (Thursday,) at 12 o'clock P. M.

POWELL.—In this City, on Saturday, Nov. 28, MARGARETTA VOWELL, wife of Dr. J. D. Powell, of Washington, Penn., and daughter of the late Stewart Brown, of Baltimore.

☞ Baltimore and Alexandria, Va., papers please copy.

DONALDSON.—In this City, on Monday, Nov. 30, suddenly, of congestion of the lungs, JAMES DONALDSON, in the 64th year of his age.

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PERRY.—In this City, on Wednesday, Dec. 2, after a short and severe illness, DANIEL C. PERRY, in the 59th year of his age.

The relatives and friends of the family, and the members of Tammany Society, or Columbian Order, are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, without further invitation, from his late residence, No. 183 East 21st-st., near 2d-av., on Friday, 4th inst., at 3 o'clock P. M.

HOSIER.—In this City, on 2d day evening, 12th month, 1st, suddenly, of disease of the heart, JOHN HOSIER, aged 64 years and 24 days.

His friends, and those of his family, are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, on 5th day (Thursday) morning, at 9 o'clock, from his late residence, No. 12 Avenue C, without further invitation. The remains will be taken to Mamaroneck for interment.

WATSON.—In this City, on Tuesday, Dec. 1, Mrs. MARTHA WATSON, aged 76 years.

The relatives and friends, and those of her late son-in-law, Mr. James Espie, are respectfully invited to attend her funeral, from her late residence, No. 195 East 21st-st., this day, (Thursday,) at 2 o'clock P. M., without further notice.

CLARKE.—In Brooklyn, E. D., on Wednesday morning, Dec. 2, JAMES CLARKE, Justice of the Peace, Fourth District, aged 36 years and 1 month.

The friends and acquaintances of the family, and those of his brothers, Hugh, John and Francis, of his father-in-law, John Conway, and his brother-in-law, Thos. Wallace, are respectfully invited to attend his funeral, from his late residence, No. 20 South 2d-st., Brooklyn, E. D., on Fri

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

GREAT REDUCTION IN THE PRICE OF BOOKS.
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AT REDUCED PRICES.
The books are now arranged for examination, the larger part having the price marked within, from which there will be no abatement.
As no time has so large and fine a stock been prepared. Purchasers of Presents will find the collection, the most complete, new and varied, embracing some Thirty Thousand Volumes, in elegant calf bindings, executed by the best binders in Europe and America.
The Volumes designed for Christmas Presents have been laid aside. Purchasers should make an early call, and select such as they may want, as in many cases only one copy of each book is on hand, and the opportunity to purchase at low prices will not again occur.

THE FAMILY NOTIONS FOR JANUARY are made over a defeated candidate for Mayor largely. It is decidedly the richest number of that great caricature yet published. For sale everywhere, or it will be sent by mail, on receipt of 25 cents. SAMPSON, S. W. STRONG, Publisher, No. 42 Nassau-st.

PUBLIC MEETINGS.

NOTICE.—THE GELBOY COMMITTEE APPOINTed by the Board of Supervisors to inquire into the subject relating to the contract of the glass ballot boxes recently furnished the City, together with the charges made for the same, &c., &c., will meet on Thursday, the 5th instant, at 4 o'clock, P. M., at No. 1 City Hall, at which an investigation will be gone into relating to the same. All parties interested in the matter, as well as those who can aid the Committee in the investigation, are invited to attend.
THE WILSON,
THOMAS HOLDEN, } Special Committee.
WM. TUCKER.

THE SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL will hold its First Annual Festival for the benefit of its Charities, in Assembly Rooms on THIS EVENING and THURSDAY, Nov. 5, 1857. Tickets 50 cents to be had at the Catholic book stores; also, of the members of the several Conferences, and at the door. Doors will open at 6 P. M. on WEDNESDAY. Persons are cautioned against buying tickets from speculators in the street.

OFFICE OF THE NEW-YORK CENTRAL COLLEGE COMPANY, NEW-YORK, Nov. 3, 1857.—The annual election for Directors of this Company, and for three Inspectors of the next election, will be held at the office of the Company, in the Exchange, in the city of Albany, on the second WEDNESDAY (the 9th) of December next. The poll will open at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, and will close at two hours thereafter.
By order of the Board of Directors.
GILBERT L. WILSON, Secretary.

AMERICAN GEOGRAPHICAL AND STATISTICAL SOCIETY.—The annual meeting of the American Geographical and Statistical Society will be held on THURSDAY EVENING, the 5d inst., at 8 o'clock, in the small Chapel of the University, when an election for officers for the ensuing year will take place, and a report will be presented by the Council of the proceedings of the Society during the past year, with an exposition of the modes of action recommended for the year about to commence.

THE JEWS' HOSPITAL IN NEW-YORK.—Dec. 2, 1857.—An election for three Directors as class 3, to serve for four years from the 16th day of January next, in place of Messrs J. D. PHILLIPS, HENRY HENDRICKS and N. K. ROSENFELD, whose term of office will expire on that day, will be held in the Committee Room of the Greene-street Synagogue on the 12th inst. Poll will be opened at 11 o'clock A. M., and closed at 12 M. SAMUEL A. LEWIS, Secy.

A. F. A.—OFFICERS AND MEMBERS OF HENRY Clay Lodge No. 10, A. F. A., are notified to be present in their Lodge room corner of 10th-st. and 8th-av., at 7½ o'clock, as business of importance is to be transacted, by order of the Leder. JAS. HORES,
H. BOWLEY, Recording Secretary. W. HERTEN.

NEW-YORK BIBLE SOCIETY.—A REGULar Meeting of the Board of Managers will be held at the American Bible Society's House, Astor place, THIS (Thursday) EVENING, at 7½ o'clock.
JAMES C. HOLDEN, Rec. Sec'y.

AMERICAN INSTITUTE. — A STATED Monthly Meeting of this Institute will be held at its rooms, No. 351 Broadway, THIS (Thursday) EVENING, Dec. 3, at 7½ o'clock.
HENRY MEIGS, Recording Secretary.

PERSONAL.

DEATH OF MR. RICHARD RELF.

To the Editor of the Times:

As the suits of Mrs. Myra Clark Gaines for the recovery of the property of the late Daniel Clark, of New-Orleans, have acquired a world-wide notoriety, necessarily causing an imputation, chargeable to the character of the executors of the will of Daniel Clark, one of whom, Richard Relf, died at Philadelphia, 1818, and being extensively known here, it seems to me but an act of justice to the memory of a most worthy and eminently honorable man that the following notice of the event from those among whom he was best known, should be copied by some of your numerous readers, and I transmit them to you for that purpose. And am very respectfully yours,
New-York, Nov. 30, 1857. JAMES I. DAY.

From the New-Orleans Crescent of Oct. 26, 1857.

DEATHS AS THEY ARE REPORTED OFFICIALLY.—When an old and valued member of society is removed from among us, it is natural to pen a tribute of respect to his memory. We have had to record the decease of many old and respectable citizens within the past two or three years. We have now to chronicle the death of Richard Relf, late Cashier of the Louisiana State Bank, one of our oldest and most exemplary citizens. He departed this life in Parish of East Feliciana, on Thursday, the 22d inst., aged 72 years. Mr. Relf is a native of Philadelphia, and came to this city at the age of 16 years, where he had resided uninterruptedly for 60 years. No particular disease attended his last days, only a gradual decay, as it were, of nature.

Mr. Relf was from somewhere about the year 1807 to 1817 largely engaged in commercial pursuits in this city, in connection with the late Beverly Chew, under the firm of Chew & Relf. They occupied the very highest commercial and social position, subsequent to the eventful warfare in which our country was engaged from 1812 to 1815. Many reverses and general revulsions followed, in which our late respected citizen bore his share, and had to fail.

In the year 1818, the Louisiana State Bank was chartered, and Relf was elected cashier, which office he held until his death, a period of 39 years. During this long space of time, through the numerous changes in the direction of the bank, through all the multifarious vicissitudes, Mr. Relf held and maintained the confidence and faith of every director, and the respect of every stockholder. It is seldom in this sublunary sphere, that it falls to the lot of the historian to record so true and faithful to performance of duties. We believe that Mr. Relf was absent from the State only once in the long period of 39 years. His unstring zeal, his devotion, his faithfulness, integrity and honesty with which he fulfilled the duties of his responsible office, is an example to the rising generation, and will be long remembered.

Mr. Relf was twice married and leaves numerous descendants, among whom are several occupying the highest social and commercial positions in our midst, and while we sympathize with them, we can add, that their relative descends to the tomb, full of years and full of honors.

The funeral service will be performed at Christ (Episcopal) Church, Canal-street, at 4 o'clock this afternoon, of which church the decedent has long been a true and faithful communicant.

LOUISIANA STATE BANK,
NEW-ORLEANS, 26th October, 1857.

At a meeting of the Board, held last evening, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That this Board have learned with deep regret the death of Richard Relf, Esq., who has been the Cashier of this Bank since the year 1818, when it was chartered, up to the time of his demise.

Resolved, That the Board highly appreciate the stern integrity, untiring industry, and exemplary urbanity, of the deceased, manifested in the discharge of his arduous official duties during the long period of his connection with this institution.

Resolved, That, as a mark of respect for the memory of the deceased, both as an honest man, a good citizen as well as a faithful officer, the members of this Board will wear the usual badge of mourning during thirty days.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be transmitted by the President of this institution to the family of the deceased. A true copy,
Attest, J. M. LAFEYRE, President.

MOST DISTRESSING CASE.—Mrs. WREN and her large family of talented children, the nucleus of the Negro Troupe, are in the utmost distress, all their theatrical and private wardrobes being detained at the Florence Hotel, on account of Mr. Negro's inability to pay either board or money. The sympathy of the public, and profession especially, are earnestly solicited, for if this appeal is not kindly and promptly answered they will be homeless strangers in New-York. She wishes to get back to Washington. Please call at No. 63 Grand-st.

$50 REWARD FOR INFORMATION OR discovery of EMMA DELTA, who left her home to attend school Monday morning, Nov. 23, 14 years of age, fair complexion, brown hair; had on red and brown plaid shawl, red, brown and white striped dress, black patent boots, white stockings, straw hat, trimmed with blue satin, with cap inside. Any information of her will be thankfully received by her afflicted sister and brother, at No. 49 West 44th-st.

HOUSES AND LOTS FOR SALE.

REAL ESTATE—LOW FOR CASH.—THE VALuable property No. 100 Gold-st.

A very neat Italian cottage, at Clifton, Staten Island; 13 well-finished rooms, good coach house, and about 20 lots of land.

A 2-story brick dwelling, in Sullivan-st.

A large house and lot in City Hall-place. Apply to
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FARMS FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—A FARM OF 37 ACRES, ONE MILE from the depot in Jamaica, highly improved and valuable buildings, for sale low; also, one at Mamaroneck, 24 miles from depot. Inquire of A. H. GOUGH, near corner Wall and South sts.

COPARTNERSHIP NOTICES.

DISSOLUTION.—THE CO-PARTNERSHIP heretofore existing between the undersigned, as Sash, Blind and Door Manufacturers, is this day dissolved by mutual consent.
JAMES H. McINTOSH.
HEZEKIAH SLAGEY.
The business will be continued at the same place, No. 45 Forsyth-st., having assumed the liabilities, and is alone authorized to sign in liquidation.
New-York, Dec. 1, 1857.

AMUSEMENTS.

ACADEMY OF MUSIC.
ROBERT LE DIABLE.
THIS EVENING, Dec. 3, 1857,
Positively the last night of
ROBERT LE DIABLE.
Third appearance of the great Bass,
CARL FORMES.
OPERA AND CONCERT.
Special Notice.—On the night of the performance of ROBERT LE DIABLE, the curtain will rise at 7½ o'clock precisely. Doors open at 6½. Opera commences at 11.
FRIDAY, Dec. 4—Last night (future) of
ROBERT LE DIABLE.
MME. LA GRANGE. MLLE. GRISOLI.
SIG. BIGNARDI. SIG. LABOCETTA.
CARL FORMES.
A GRAND BALLET
will be combined with the opera, in which the popular dancerss,
MLLE. TERESA ROLLA,
supported by a corps de ballet, will appear in the fashional divertissement, under the direction of Paul Brillant.
Over two hundred new and costly dresses, new machinery and properties have been expressly made, and the scenes NEW AND SPLENDID SCENES have been painted expressly for Robert le Diable, by Hamilton W. Galpe, scenery American, and pupil of Sig. Allegri.
The sale of seats for the above light commences this morning at 9 o'clock, at the Academy, C. Breaning's, and Sibell's stationery store, No. 30 Wall-st.
On MONDAY, Dec. 7,
FORTIVELY THE LAST NIGHT OF
ROBERT LE DIABLE.
In active rehearsal, and to be produced in rapid succession,
LA TRAVIATA
MARTHA and L'ITALIANA IN ALGERI.

SALTBERG'S MATINEES.
TUESDAY and FRIDAY, Dec. 8 and 11.
The public are respectfully informed that Mr. Thalberg will leave New-York at the end of this month. Prior to his departure Mr. Thalberg will give
TWO MATINEES MUSICALES,
And TWO EVENING CONCERTS,
On which occasions he will make most positively his farewell appearance in New-York.
PRIOR TO HIS DEPARTURE FOR EUROPE
On the termination of his Southern tour.
The Matinees Musicales will take place on
TUESDAY and FRIDAY, Dec. 8 and 11.
The price of admission will be fixed at
ONE DOLLAR EACH.
Tickets to be had at C. Breaning's and of Mr. Brown, sexton of Grace Church.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.
THURSDAY EVENING, Dec. 3,
GABRIEL and ANTOINE as Robert and Bertrand.
TERESA ROLLA, JESOME RAVEL.
MARIETTA ZANFRETTA.
EVOLUTIONS ON THE TIGHT ROPE.
Grand Ballet of PAQUITA.
Comic Pantomimes of ROBERT and BERTRAND.
Doors open at 6½; to commence at 7½.
Tickets 50 cents; Upper Boxes 25 cents.
SATURDAY AFTERNOON—Grand Juvenile Performance at 2 o'clock.
The Schoolmaster, Tight Rope and Magic Trunk.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.
Doors open at 6½; to commence at 7 o'clock.
Fourth night of Mr. Lester's comic drama of TWO TO ONE, Or, THE KING'S VISIT. Fourth night of Planché's charming comedy, A LADY IN DIFFICULTIES. Mr. Blake and Mr. Lester in original characters.
All the comedians in the bill.
Saturday—Benefit of Mr. BLAKE.
Monday—An entirely new play, in five acts, with new scenery, &c., entitled THE FOOLS OF NEW-YORK.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.
MR. BLAKE'S BENEFIT.
SATURDAY, Dec. 5.
A NIGHT WITH THE FUNNY SPIRITS,
who will combine in the two great comedies, A CURE FOR THE HEARTACHE, and LAUGH WHEN YOU CAN, to dispel and drive away the blue devils.
N. B.—The Box-book is open.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.—BLAKE'S BENEFIT.—SATURDAY NIGHT, Dec. 5.
Blake as Old Rapid and Old Rouse.
Two full comedies on same night, brilliantly cast.
Box book open.

STOCK-BROKERS—ATTEND BLAKE'S BENEfit at Wallack's Theatre, on SATURDAY NIGHT, and see a
BROTHER CHIP OUTWITTED.
Box, parquette and stall scrip at par. Books open.

BURTON'S NEW THEATRE, BROADWAY.
Mr. BURTON,
Mr. BROUGHAM,
Mr. BOGLESS appear to-night.
THURSDAY—
VANITY FAIR.
Messrs. Brougham, Burton, Mark Smith, Mrs. Hughes, Miss Susan Denin, and Mrs. A. H. Smith, also Leo.
YOU'RE SURE TO BE SHOT.
Tom Tipper.....HAMLET TRAVESTIE.....Mr. J. Rogers
Hamlet, Mr. Brougham; Ghost, Mr. Burton; Opheli

LAURA KEENE'S THEATRE.
No. 624 Broadway, above Houston-st.
UNRATED SUCCESS—GREAT ENTHUSIASM.
THURSDAY EVENING, Dec. 3, 1857.
THE SEA OF ICE; Or, A Mariner's Prayer.
Guarina, the Wild Flower of Mexico.....Miss Laura Keene
Quince, an adventurer.....Gen. Jordan
Rambler, a Sailor.....Mr. Jefferson
Captain Lennox.....Mr. Wheatleigh
Balcony chairs, 50 cents each, can be secured during the day without extra charge.
Doors open at 6½; to commence at 7½ precisely.

BROADWAY THEATRE.
E. A. Marshall.....Role Leonard
Last night but two of
Mr. CHARLES MATHEWS.
THURSDAY, Dec. 3, 1857, will be presented Sheridan's celebrated comedy of the
CRITIC.
Sir Fretful Plagiary and Puff.....Mr. Charles Mathews
Dangleby (his original character). Mr. Charles Mathews
WANDERING MINSTREL.
Jem Bags.....Mr. W. Davidge

PURDY'S NATIONAL THEATRE.
Chatham-street, near Roosevelt.
THURSDAY EVENING, Dec. 3.
The enterprising manager will commence with the Drama of THE REVOLT IN INDIA; Or, THE FALL OF DELHI.
Also, on the same evening,
ST. MARY'S EVE.
To conclude with the Farce of
GRIMSHAW, BAGSHAW AND BEADSHAW.
Doors open at 6½ o'clock. Curtain will rise at 7 o'clock.

BOWERY THEATRE.
Lessee and Proprietor.....Mr. B. Eddy
Boxes and Parquette, 25 cents. | Pit.....12 cents.
THURSDAY EVENING, Dec. 3,
The performance will commence with the
RANDO, HATHANS & CO'S
Great Triple Troupe of American, French and German Artists.
To conclude with the Extravaganza entitled
A VISIT TO THE BOWERY.

BARNUM'S AMERICAN MUSEUM.—MORE OVERGUSHES OF IRRESISTIBLE FUN! THIS AFTERNOON, at 3 o'clock, a very new piece of THE WANDERING BOY; EVENING, at 7½ o'clock, the new extravagant eccentricity, written by H. WATKINS, Esq., illustrating the medical marvels of the day, entitled LAURA AND GROW FAT; Or, THE QUACK MASTER. Previous to which, TIMES THREE ALL; Laura, Mrs. Charles Howard; The beautiful Aquaria, or Ocean River Gardens, the grand Panoptikon Studio, the Happy Family, Living Serpent, &c., to be seen as usual. Admittance 25 cents; children under ten, 12.

MADAME MADELEINE GRAEVER JOHNSON,
Pianist from London and Paris,
Begs to announce that she will give a Grand Concert,
On TUESDAY, Dec. 8, at Niblo's S.,
Assisted by several eminent artists and full orchestra, under the direction of Mr. Theodore Eisfeld.
Madame GRAEVER will perform on this occasion,
Liszt's "Les Patineurs" for Piano solo,
Litolff's third Concerto, and
Mendelssohn's Capriccio,
with accompaniment of the orchestra.
Tickets, with reserved seats, $1, may be had at C. BREUSING'S Music Store, No. 702 Broadway.

THE WREN CHILDREN BEING LEFT by W. J. Nagle in destitute circumstances, Mr. HENRY WOOD has given them the use of the hall, No. 444 Broadway, for a benefit, THIS (Thursday) EVENING.
Entertainments will consist of comedy, farce, singing and dancing, by the WREN JUVENILE TROUPE. Also, first appearance in New-York of the beautiful and accomplished prima donna, ELLA M. WREN.
Performance commence at 7½ o'clock. Admittance 25 cents. Box office open from 10 A. M. Little FRED WREN in six characters.

CHARLES MACKAY, Esq.,
DEAR SIR: It would be a matter of much gratification to many of our citizens to be allowed the privilege of *hearing the course of lectures on the "National Popular and Historical Songs of England, Scotland and Ireland,"* recently delivered with so much acceptance in Boston, and if your engagements will allow, to request that you will assign a period for their delivery.
Your obedient servants,

JOHN W. FRANCIS,	FRANCIS L. HAWKS,
JOHN ANGELLOW,	R. J. LOSSING,
WM. YOUNG,	SAM'L S. RUGGLES,
ISAAC FERRIS,	ERAST. S. BROOKS,
ADAM NORRIE,	CH. S. EDWARDS,
W. C. PICKERSGILL,	RICHARD IRVIN,
EDWARD BALDWIN,	S. H. GRINNELL,
CALEB BARSTOW,	HENRY G. DeFOREST
CHAS. P. DALY,	R. M. ARCHIBALD,
JOHN F. GOURLIE,	H. B. M. Consul, N. Y.

In compliance with the above flattering invitation, Mr. Mackay has the pleasure to announce that by arrangement with the Merchants and Clerks Liberal Association, he will deliver the lectures referred to both in New-York and Brooklyn.

MERCHANTS' AND CLERKS' LIBRARY ASSOCIATION LECTURES.
"National Popular and Historical Songs of England, Scotland and Ireland,"
IN THREE LECTURES,
BY
CHARLES MACKAY, LL. D.,
AT
MORAN'S HALL,
No. 406 Broadway, (opposite Bond-st.)
Thursday, Dec. 3; Monday, Dec. 7; Thursday, Dec. 10, commencing each night at 7½ o'clock, P. M.
Tickets for a single evening, for the Course.....$1 00
Tickets for the admission of a lady and gentleman.....1 50
Tickets for admission to a single Lecture.....50
For sale at the Library, No. 346 Broadway; C. S. FRANCIS & CO., No. 322 Broadway; GEO. SCHLEIER & CO., No. 10 Maiden-la.; WILEY & HALSTAD, No. 351 Broadway; T. J. CROWEN, corner Broadway and 4th-st.; ROE LOCKWOOD & SON, No. 411 Broadway; G. H. CROSBY, No. 98 William-st.

AMUSEMENTS.

EMPIRE [illegible] BROADWAY.

[illegible] THIS EVENING and SATURDAY [illegible]

POWERS' GALLERY, 14½ MARTY-BROOK [illegible]

WILLIAMS & CO. [illegible] W. P. R. & P. R.

NATIONAL ACADEMY OF DESIGN.
BRITISH ARTISTS' EXHIBITION
CONTINUED FOR A FEW DAYS.
Admission 25 cents.

STRANGERS SHOULD NOT FAIL TO SEE The Great Dressing Gallery of Fashion. Powers' Great Brave, the Hermit, the Fairies, are cent worth the price of admission. Open day and evening.—No. 548 Broadway.

FAIR.—THE MARINERS' FAMILY INDUSTRIAL Society of the Port of New-York, and the Female Employment Society of Brooklyn will hold a Fair on the 3d, 4th, 5th, 6th instant, at the Assembly Rooms of Atlantic and Clinton sts., where they will offer for sale a great variety of useful and fancy articles, books, stationery, ladies' furnishing and children's wearing apparel, refreshments, &c., &c.

The depressed state of business, with the usual recent closure of so many banks, has rendered the efforts of the Society, the management of which most earnestly enlists all who are contributors to their aid, remarkably timely—the most wholesome shall be watered also himself.

GREAT SHOW OF FAT CATTLE IN THE CITY OF NEW-YORK.—The American Institute will hold an exhibition of stall and grass fed cattle, calves, sheep, swine, pork and dressed poultry, of all kinds, in the Crystal Palace, on the 16th, 17th and 18th days of December instant. Liberal premiums will be awarded. Farmers, stock breeders and others, wishing to exhibit, will please make entries to WM. LEONARD, Secretary of the Institute, at the Crystal Palace, or to R. L. DEVOE, the Chairman of the Committee, Nos. 1 and 3 Jackson Market.

THE EXHIBITION OF PAINTINGS BY MODERN ARTISTS OF THE FRENCH SCHOOL.—At the old ART UNION ROOMS, No. 497 Broadway, will remain open until further notice, from 9 A. M. to 5 P. M. and from 7 to 10 evening. The Gallery is well lighted and warmed. E. FRODSHAM, Secretary.

GALLERY OF EGYPTIAN ANTIQUITIES, No. 659 Broadway.—Dr. ABBOTT'S wonderful collection is a character above all other exhibitions in America, and is pronounced by travelers to be superior to any museum in the world. Open day and evening. Admission 25 cents.

SITUATIONS WANTED.

WANTED—SITUATIONS BY RESPECTABLE Protestant and Catholic girls; such as cooks, laundresses, chambermaids, waiters and general housework; nothing but respectable girls are admitted to the office. Apply at No. 24 2d-av., Bible House.
W. W. CAIRNS, Superintendent.
P. S.—A lady in attendance. On hand a quantity of first-rate male help.

WANTED—BY A VERY NEAT, TIDY, PLEASANT and agreeable young woman, of respectable parentage, a situation as ladies' maid; no objections to travel to any part of the States, with a French or American lady; is truly a very desirable servant, and one that is calculated to please. Ladies in want of a servant of high respectability, competent, will call or address, E. M., No. 3 Myrtle-av., Brooklyn. If this should meet the notice of a French gentleman that applied, he will call as above.

WANTED—A COOK'S SITUATION BY A RESpectable English Protestant woman; also by 6 young English and Scotch girls, and by 3 American girls, as chambermaids, waiters, nurses and seamstresses, and by a number of respectable Protestant girls and others to do general housework, at the Select Female Institute, No. 359 6th-av., between 22d and 23d sts. No charge to employers. A lady in attendance.

WANTED—BY A MOST FAITHFUL, TRUSTworthy and highly recommended Protestant girl, a situation; is a thorough cook and fine-class washer and ironer, perfectly efficient in all kinds of home work; is a native of Scotland; will take a situation out of the City; is steady, reliable and truthful, and expects a good home more than wages. Inquire for JANE, at No. 16 Tillary-st., near Fulton, Brooklyn.

WANTED—SITUATIONS FOR TWO EXCELLENT Protestant girls—one English, the other Scotch—either for general housework, chambermaid, waitresses or children's nurses. Are correct, experienced, most respectable and well-informed girls. Would think no end accomplishment, much less English, accept very moderate wages. Apply at No. 16 Tillary-st., near Fulton-st., Brooklyn.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS FIRST-CLASS cook in a private family, or private boarding-house, by a most experienced cook and competent servant, who thoroughly understands her business; has been for years in the first families, and has the highest and most unexceptionable references; is humble, willing and respectful; wages moderate. Apply at No. 10 Tillary-st., near Fulton, Brooklyn.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY AN ENGLISH Protestant young woman for general housework; is a good plain cook and baker, superior washer and ironer, willing and competent to undertake any household duties; neat, strong, and willing to work; understands her business perfectly, and considers her time her employer's. Will take $10 per month. Can be seen at No. 303 7th-av., near 30th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS COOK, AND TO assist with the washing and ironing, or would be willing to take charge of a laundry. A middle-aged woman of good character, who is competent to fill either of the above situations; can be seen for two days at No. 107 8th-st., between Broadway and University-place.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS HOUSEKEEPER IN a private family, where a comfortable, quiet home may be found. Thoroughly understands the entire charge, or to assist; is very fond of children; will be found kind and attentive in sickness. All necessary information will be given on inquiring at No. 107 Madison-av., New-York.

WANTED—SITUATIONS AS NURSE AND SEAMstress, or as housekeeper, by an experienced woman, who can tend an infant from its birth; also as good cook and to wash and iron, as chambermaid and waiter, as first-class cook, as laundress, as chambermaid and laundress, and to do general housework in the City or country, by very competent girls. Call at No. 72 6th-av., in the store.

WANTED—BY A COMPETENT AND EXPERIenced young woman, of high respectability, a situation to cook, wash and iron in a gentleman's family; can make soups, cook meats, game, pastry, &c., in excellent style. Also, a neat, tidy, smart, active, and well-behaved girl as chambermaid and waiter, laundress, nurse, or seamstress. Are very efficient servants. Apply to J. S. MORGAN, No. 3 Myrtle-av., Brooklyn.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE YOUNG WOman, a situation as cook, chambermaid and waiter, and assist with the washing and ironing; would do housework of a small family; is good plain cook and first-rate washer and ironer. Has the best of City references. Can be seen for three days at No. 39 Atlantic-st., South Brooklyn, 2d floor, if not engaged.

WANTED—BY A WOMAN, A SITUATION AS professed cook; understands English and American cookery in every style; all kinds of soups, made-up dishes, pastries and jellies, and baking of bread if required. Ironing of lace; recommended by some of the best families in the City. Can be seen for two days, at No. 134 Greene-st., between Prince and Houston.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS NURSE AND seamstress, by an experienced woman, who is fully competent to take the entire charge of a baby from its birth; can cut and fit children's clothes in the neatest style; is willing and obliging; has a knowledge of dressmaking. Can be seen at her present situation, No. 23 Clinton-st., Brooklyn. Can be seen for two days.

WANTED—A SITUATION, BY A COMPEtent woman, as nurse; one who understands the care and management of a baby from its birth; or as nurse and seamstress; would take the care of grown children; understands cutting and fitting children's clothes. Has the best of City reference. Apply at No. 49 West 16th-st., between 6th and 7th avs., rear building.

WANTED—BY A MOST FAITHFUL, TRUSTWORthy and highly recommended girl, a situation; is a good plain cook; fine-class washer and ironer; acquainted with all kinds of housework, and not afraid of it; will be found a steady, reliable and truthful servant; one who knows how to fill and appreciate a good situation. Apply to J. S. MORGAN, No. 3 Myrtle-av., Brooklyn.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE YOUNG WOman, a situation as nurse and seamstress; can cut and fit for children, also for ladies; can do all kinds of family sewing; is willing to make herself generally useful. Best of City references. Has no objection to the country. Can be seen for two days at No. 63 West 19th-st., between 6th and 7th avs.

WANTED—BY TWO TIDY GIRLS, SITUATIONS in this City or Brooklyn; one does the work of a plain family; makes bread, washes and irons well, does up linen in style; the other as chambermaid and waitress; assists with the washing or as nurse and does plain sewing; is quick at the needle. Wages $6 each. Best City reference. Call at No. 234 East 23d-st., for two days.

WANTED—BY A STEADY, RESPECTABLE PERson, a situation to do chamberwork, fine washing, ironing and French fitting, or would wait on an invalid lady and son; will be highly recommended by the first families in New-York with whom she has lived several years. Address No. 62 17th-st., corner of 6th-av., for a few days.

WANTED—SITUATIONS FOR SEVERAL GOOD cooks, laundresses, chambermaids, nurses, seamstresses, and girls for housework, in town or country; are extra and Catholic; well recommended and worth your money, at the old Protestant Employment Agency Office, No. 6 6th-av. JOHN YOUNG, Manager.

WANTED—A SITUATION, BY A RESPECTABLE Protestant young girl, as assist in washing up chamber, or to do chamberwork; would wait on lady; is a good seamstress; would make herself generally useful; unexceptionable references will be given. Apply at No. 102 Bond-st., South Brooklyn.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTABLE one who is a good seamstress; is the best of nurses; would do much as a pleasant home. Address, M. T., Chatham Post-Office.

SITUATIONS WANTED.

WANTED—SITUATIONS, BY TWO ACTIVE, [illegible] in general housework; [illegible] Call at No. [illegible] 2d-st., [illegible]

WANTED—SOMEBODY TO ENGAGE THE SERvices of the Original Pudding and Pie Boy, who is now in his 14th year, and who has been for years in the employ of the Tribune, and who is now in the employ of the Times. He is confessedly the best pudding and pie boy in the City, and is a good waiter, and is willing to do any thing else that may be required of him

AUCTION SALES.

[illegible] Auctioneer.

[illegible] ON AUCTION.

[illegible] ALBERT H. NICOLL.

[illegible] Auctioneer—Office No. 4 Broad-st.

[illegible] NICOLL will sell, THIS DAY, (Thursday,) at 12 o'clock, at the Merchants' Exchange: [illegible] Canal and Milwaukee Railroad 1st Mortgage [illegible]

[illegible] Indiana Railroad 1st Mortgage Bonds.

[illegible] Canal Coal Certificates.

[illegible] and Amboy Railroad 6 P cent. Bonds of [illegible]

[illegible] and Milwaukee Railroad construction [illegible]

[illegible] City and Mining Company 1st Mortgage [illegible]

[illegible] City Funded Loan 10 P cent. Bond [illegible]

[illegible] Hants and Aiken Railroad 1st Mortgage [illegible]

[illegible] Canal and Carbon Ex- [illegible]

[illegible] and Milwaukee Railroad [illegible]

[illegible] Gas Light Company [illegible]

[illegible] Auctioneer.

[illegible] ON TUESDAY, Dec. 8, 1857, at 12 o'clock, at the Merchants' Exchange, [illegible] Fire Insurance Company [illegible] Fire Insurance Company [illegible] Fire Insurance Company [illegible] Bank [illegible]

[illegible] Auctioneer.

[illegible] ON TUESDAY, Dec. 8, 1857, at 12 o'clock, at the Merchants' Exchange,

NEW-YORK CITY.

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The regular meeting of the Academy was held last evening, at the usual hour of the Medical Society, President [illegible] presiding.

At half-past eight o'clock a quorum of members [illegible] minutes were read. No business was transacted except that Dr. Anderson, the Secretary, read a letter from Dr. Ayres, stating that he was not well enough to be present, but would be ready to get the necessary testimony for [illegible] Dr. Ayres